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Thousands of firms face huge rises

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

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And business leaders said there would be a "hurricane" of protest once the scale of the new rate demands became widely known.

The Government will be anxious that firms do not pass on the increase to customers, adding a further twist to the inflationary spiral, but Mr eral of the CBI, said the increased burden could cause a one-point rise in the Retail

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Temples of doom

 The Mayan civilization flourished for nearly 3,000 years, building an advanced culture before Europe had escaped

Now, the Mayan's temples and tombs are being ravaged by graverobbers for the international art market: Page 9

 There were five winners of yesterday's 22,000 Portfolio Platinum prize (see page 3). Today's chance to

win £2,000 is on page 23

ON SATURDAY



 The finest stately homes on water and fashions for the yachting set are featured in Saturday's 16-page fullcolour supplement

Soviet-Iran border riot

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Judge Pickles: Did not want

to separate mother and baby.

Czechoslovak leader sees both sides of wall

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was merch protest threat pointed by the Wilson Wilson

Conservative MPs are to seek a meeting with Mr David Hunt, the Minister for Local Government, to express their concern about the effects of the switch to the new system both on businesses and on the party's prospects in the May local elections.

The impact of the uniform rate - introduced in an attempt to stop high-spending councils "milking" local businesses with excessive rate

North-South divide.... Effect on shops...

lished after the first revaluation of commercial premises in the following year. since 1973. Every business in England will pay 34.8p in the pound, and in Wales the rate of the new system, saying that the business community had been will be 36.8p.

Nearly a million businesses, South-East, will face increases - Harrods' rates will rise from million to £8,352,000 while another 590,000, mainly

in the North and the Midtheir bills adjusted gradually average 31 per cent. over five years. The new rate

Mr Henry Bellingham, vicechairman of the Conservative backbench committee

small busineses, said yesterday that he would ministers to look again at the transition arrangements so that the strain on small businesses would be eased. "Small businesses, particularly those in the service sector who have been the lifeblood of the increases by way of price

regeneration, are going to be particularly hit very, very hard. The transition arrangements were made before there were high interest rates and there had been a downturn in economic activity. We are talking about small businesses suffering enormously and some places being forced to close down," he said.

Under the new system, 928,000 business and comm- the local government elec-ercial properties face higher tions. The transitional bills. Of those, about 240,000 arrangements mean that will have their rates more than doubled and another 230,000 will have to pay more than 50 period of five years. This is per cent more. About 108,000 death by inches.

Many of the largest increases will affect shops and

Under the transition arrangements, businesses with a rateable value of more than £10,000 outside London and £15,000 in the capital will pay maximum increases of 20 per cent plus inflation for the next yesterday when the new lists five years. Those with reduced of rateable values were pubbills will have cuts of 10.5 per cent this year and 13 per cent

pressing for a number of years for a change for a number of mostly in London and the years in the rating system as under the existing system local councils, particularly highspending Labour authorities, had been "milking" local

system was fair and would premises after April will have particularly help factories all to pay the new rate imm- over the country as they would ediately, but others will have find their rates falling by an

But MPs from the trais expected to yield £10.4 ditional Conservative heartland of southern England were facing angry demands from

Mr James Pawsey, Conser-

World markets welcome **Nineties with optimism**

Share prices rose around the pfennigs against a weak mark, world and the pound gained although it lost early gains on the foreign exchanges as against the dollar after the US on the foreign exchanges as London's financial markets greeted the new year with a

show of optimism. Sterling was boosted by interviews with Mr John Major, the Chancellor, in which he made it clear the Government did not want further depreciation and that homebuyers could not expect to benefit from lower interest

rates for some time. The pound gained three

offices in the West End of London: Selfridges in Oxford Street will pay £6,264,000, compared with £1,830,000. But rates for Kendals in Manchester will fall from £622,024 to £565,556 and one factory in the North-West will have a reduction from £349,773 to £147,865.

vative MP for Rugby and Kenilworth, said: "The figures facing some businesses are appalling. They are staggering. This will have an adverse effect on inflation as many companies will try to pass on rises, and it will hit employment, particularly in the hardpressed retail sector. One of the biggest overheads for small businesses is wages and I think there will be job losses as

Sir Rhodes Boyson, the MP for Brent 140rth, feared for the future of shops in small villages. He said: "The timing of this is demonic; just before people will be paying 20 per cent plus inflation over a

currency recovered. On the stock market, the FT-SE 100 share index rose by

Buoyant start.

11.4 points to 2,434.1 after coming within a whisker of its all-time high of 2,443.4 early

in the day. Share prices also started the year higher in Frankfurt and New York.

President Havel, surrounded by security men at the Brandenburg Gate, during his visits to the two Germanies yesterday

claims first victim of 1990

killed by an IRA bomb in east Belfast yesterday - the first terrorist victim in Northern Ireland this year.

Mr Harold Dickey, aged 37, married with two children, died about 100 yards from his home in the Sydenham area of

His daughter, Gillian, aged 16, who was being driven to school by her father, survived the blast. She was helped free by neighbours and was later

By Edward Gorman The IRA, which claimed der, following hard on the use Eastern European-style Irish Affairs Correspondent responsibility for Mr Dickey's heels of a series of new year people power to end the senior member of the Ulster Defence Association, a legal Protestant paramilitary organ-

Leading article.

ization. This was later denied by the UDA.

However, the Ulster Democratic Party, a "loyalist" political group with close links with the UDA, confirmed that

murder, said that he was a messages from local poli-violence, said it was time that ticians expressing the hope that Northern Ireland might find its way to peace this year, was widely condemned.

Mr Peter Robinson, Democratic Unionist Party deputy leader and Mr Dickey's local MP, condemned the murder as barbarous and said that the IRA had delivered its habitual ruthless and savage message.

Mr John Hume, Social Democratic and Labour Party Mr Dickey was one of its leader, who has called on the members. Mr Dickey's mur- people of Northern Ireland to

the IRA admitted their campaign had failed. Last year, terrorism claimed 62 lives in Northern Ireland, the third lowest total since

1970. The death toll included 39 civilians, 12 regular soldiers, two members of the Ulster Defence Regiment, seven RUC officers and two police reservists.

For the 1980s as a whole, 778 people died from terrorism compared with almost 2,000 in the previous 10 years.

Havel is unafraid of one Germany

From Anne McElvoy East Berlin and John England, Bonn

President Havel, of Czechoslovakia, said yesterday that Europe had nothing to fear

from a united Germany. Mr Havel, making his first foreign presidential trip — to East and West Germany also revealed that Herr Manfred Gerlach, the East German head of state, had told him that the Berlin Wall would soon be demolished

completely. Mr Havel said that his country had no objections to German reunification, but warned that the two Germanies should wait for the current euphoria to subside before deciding their future. "Whether Germany has 60

million or 80 million people is The shrinking appeal of the East Germany communist party has led to the loss of a significant number of full-time jobs as the purge of party perks, such as Western cars and access to special res-

taurants, goes on .. Financial upheaval 10

not the main question," said Mr Havel. "Democratic awareness and democratic structures in Germany are much more important than the question of German

The remarks, which drew no reaction from his East German hosts, are a clear departure from the Warsaw Pact's cautious line on reunification and flies in the face of Soviet warnings of the perils of a larger Germany.

Mr Eduard Schevardnze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, said two weeks ago that any attempt to change the borders in Europe would lead to dangerous destabilization

Mr Havel also told journalists that Herr Gerlach had told him that work was already being planned for the demolition of the Berlin Wall.

"I told him if he had problems we could send some independent Czech workers in to help free of charge," Mr Havel joked to applause from East German journalists.

Mr Havel said the two Germanies were Czechoslo-vakia's "largest and most important neighbours", and called for a rew start to Continued on page 18, col 3

MP 'stole | Calls for random from his ex-lover'

By David Sapsted

Ron Brown, the Labour MP for Edinburgh, Leith, yes-terday denied theft and causing almost £800 of damage at

Lewes Crown Court was told that Mr Brown stole two pairs of knickers and jewellery from Mrs Nonna Longden, with whom he had a three-

Mr Richard Camden Pratt, for the prosecution, said Mr Brown had also smashed windows, mirrors and glasses in Mrs Longden's flat in St Leonards after she rejected his appeals to return to him.

Mrs Longden denied sugpestions that she had taken politically sensitive" tapes belonging to the MP as a bargaining counter for financial support when the affair

testing renewed

By Paul Wilkinson and Quentin Cowdry

police to be given powers to breathalyse drivers at random despite receiving evidence of a people failed. further sharp drop in drinkdriving in many areas over

Christmas and the new year. Figures obtained by The Times yesterday show that the percentage of drivers failing tests this year fell in many areas, with two forces . Cleveland and Avon and Somerset - recording fewer failures despite greatly in-

creased levels of testing. However, police in Cam-bridgeshire, Dorset and Staffordshire, who conducted less intensive campaigns than usuai, will be prosecuting more drink-drivers after the seasonal crackdown compared with last year.

In London 962 motorists Court report, page 3 | 2.5 per cent drop on last year's

Chief constables and MPs figure, while in Dyfed-Powys yesterday renewed calls for in Wales, where there was a fourfold rise in the numbers breathalysed, only seven more

Kent police, who recorded positive readings against onein-eight people tested, against one-in-five last year, said: The trend is encouraging and we hope it will continue. But the fact that some people are still prepared to ignore the law is unacceptable."

However the improved pic-ture has failed to dent growing pressure from inside and outside Parliament for the police to be given wider powers to crack down on drink-driving, which caused 900 deaths in 1988, the latest year for which figures are available.

Mr Peter Joslin, Warwickshire's chief constable and the chairman of the Association of failed out of 15,248 tested, a Chief Constables' traffic Continued on page 2, col 5

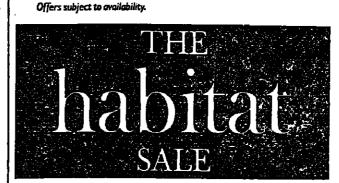
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Pregnancy no excuse to avoid prison, judge says



By Peter Davenport Young women criminals could not hope to avoid prison sentences by deliberately becoming pregnant between the time they were arrested and when they appeared in court, Judge Pickles said yesterday. He made his comments when sending an unmarried teenage mother to prison after twice postponing sentence because he did not want to part her from

her baby. Judge Pickles told Wakefield Crown Court that he had been told by the prison authorities that if he sent Tracey Scott to custody she would go with her daughter, aged 10 weeks, to Styal Prison, Cheshire. There will be no separation of mother

and child," he said. He sentenced Scott, aged 19, of yesterday the thefts occurred while Scott

Longhill Road, Huddersfield, West worked at a store at Huddersfield. She Yorkshire, to six months' youth custody. She had pleaded guilty on November 17 to 10 charges of theft at the store where she worked as a check-out operator. Then, Judge Pickles had asked for inquiries to be made as to whether she could take her baby to custody with her. He did not want to break the "loving bond" between mother and baby.

He was told that it could be 28 days before the baby could join the mother in prison. He said he was not satisfied and adjourned the case for further inquiries. A week later he was told that no mother and baby places were available. He again postponed sentence and suggested the matter be raised "at the highest level". Mr John Winteller, prosecuting, said

allowed people, some of whom were strangers, to take goods without paying. "She was clearly at the centre of the matter, but she helped police identify others involved," he added. Scott herself estimated that the store had lost goods worth about £4,000. Miss Jill Bradshaw, defending, said the offences were committed more than

a year ago. Scott had made no personal profit and had been subjected to some pressure to allow other women to take goods. She was misguided enough to think she could buy friendship. "She has never sought to use her baby

as a reason why she should be treated more leniently than some of the other women. She is a single parent and lives Continued on page 18, col 7

NEWS ROUNDUP

Britons in life or death decision

life-or-death decisions on the fate of five Palestinian

Under Islamic law, they were given the right to choose whether the Palestinians — who killed family members in a hotel attack — should be executed, ransomed or pardoned. Quaker aid workers Christopher and Clare Rolfe and their two children, Thomas, aged 3, and Louise, aged one, from Brighton, East Sussex, died in May 1988 when the Acropol

Hotel in Khartoum was bombed.
Sally Rockett, aged 32, a teacher, who worked for the charity World University Services, also died in the attack, along with two Sudanese.

When the court announced its decision last year, both

families said because their relatives were Quakers and opposed to violence, they would not ask for the death penalty.

However, it is understood that the terrorists could still be executed if one of the Sudanese families requests it.

The Foreign Office said yesterday that the views of the British families, which were regarded as sub judice, were ready to go before the court but it was not known if the

Welsh college rethink

The Polytechnic of Wales will remain in local authority control after a U-turn by Mid-Glamorgan County Council yesterday. The polytechnic's future had been in the balance since last summer when two officials resigned over allegations of financial mismanagement. No charges were brought and the county ahandoned plans for an independent inquiry, but it decided to hand over its entire administration to the Welsh Office. Yesterday, however, the county decided against pulling out and agreed to establish a new governing body to run the college from April.

Arts centre inquiry

An inquiry team yesterday began its investigation into the running of the Institute of Contemporary Arts in the wake of a dispute between its director, Mr Bill McAlister, its director, and his staff. The four-man inquiry team is headed by Mr Brian Wenham, chairman of the ICA advisory committee and former managing director of BBC Radio, who said: "There has clearly been a dispute but we are not going to operate as a kind of Acas. We will be talking to as many layers of people in the ICA as is sensible and will report on how we think the place will be run in the 1990s."

£175,000 bright ideas

British Rail has paid a total of £175,000 to 5,000 staff who made suggestions to save money and improve efficiency (Robin Young writes). Mr Melvyn Dixon, a maintenance supervisor, is thought to have earned £3,800 with a scheme to synchronize replacing brake parts with general mainten-ance work, and the widow of Mr Willie Marshall, a former senior technical officer, received two awards of £400 for a design change he proposed to make lavatory doors more vandal-proof.

Athlete case remand

A man accused of indecently assaulting Miss Veronique Marot, the British women's marathon record holder, at the start of a race was yesterday remanded in custody for a week. Ted Adcock, aged 58, a joiner from Bedlington, Northum-berland, is alleged to have fondled her on the breast as she warmed up for a road race between Morpeth and Newcastle upon Tyne on New Year's Day. Magistrates at Bedlington granted a prosecution request for a remand in custody.

Toxic drums alert

Plastic drums washed up on beaches in south-east Cornwall could contain dangerous chemicals, the fire brigade has warned (Libby Jukes writes). Almost 1,000 drums were recovered yesterday from beaches on a two-mile stretch of coast between Portwrinkle and Downderry. Although many were found to contain vegetable oil, Cornwall County Fire Brigade fears that some are contaminated. Coastguards are trying to discover the source of the drums.

Little sign of peace in Tory European battle

By Nigel Williamson Political Staff

There was little sign of a healing of Conservative divisions over Europe yesterday as a senior Tory Euro-MP publicly attacked the Government's stance at the recent Strasbourg summit as "negative".

Mr Peter Price, the MEP for London South-East, was speaking on BBC Radio Four after it emerged that Mrs Margaret Thatcher was to meet all 32 Conservative MEPs at Downing Street later this month in an effort to close the gulf which has

onened up between them. Mr Price, said: "The most important thing is to try to resolve the uncertainty about Government policy on Europe and Mrs Thatcher's own view of it, which has been in some doubt over the past 18 months as a result of speeches she has made.

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"The policy, as demonstrated very recently at the Strasbourg summit, has been a negative one." Mr Price called on the Prime

Minister to show more enthu for integrationist measures and said that he was speaking for the Tory

group in Europe, who all supported a common European currency.

His charges were swiftly rejected by Mr Kenneth Baker, the Conservative party chairman, clearly keen to played down the differences: "The gap can be bridged," he said. Mr Baker welcomed moves to establish a better working relation-

ship but warned that it was important for MEPs to understand the Government's position.

"The enthusiasm for the single market stems from Margaret Thatcher's initiatives in 1983 and 1984. The policy of the Government is very clear on Europe. There is a strong and enthusiastic commitment to the single market. As regards the European monetary

system, we have made clear that it is not whether, but when, we join." However, the Government had reservations about moves towards federalism and implied that it was the Conservative Group in Stras-

bourg, and not the Government, which was out of step. "There is no majority for a federal Europe in the

Conservative Party, in the House of

The Tory group is due to meet Mr 1 Baker next week. He is also planning two further visits to Strasbourg in the coming weeks.

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Tory MEPs did detect a change in tone in the Prime Minister's approach at the Strasbourg summit, but are concerned about the difference between action and words. Mr Price welcomed the more conciliatory tone, but pointed out that the substance was that Britain voted in a minority of 11 to one on the two main issues under discussion.

Council puts alternative ambulances on the road

West Midlands.

The Labour-controlled Sandwell Metropolitan Borough Council, which covers a population of 295,000 in West Bromwich and Smethwick, is paying for six reconditioned, former NHS ambulances which are manned by volunteer professional ambulancemen and women.

Yesterday the first two vehicles, hired from a northern firm which specializes in refurbishing ambulances, were maintenance depot, where a prefabricated building is to be used 24 hours a day as a temporary control centre for "Sandwell Ambulance Line". The telephone number (021-569-6666) is to be advertised in libraries, community centres, local hospitals, GPs'

surgeries and other places. Unions representing ambulance officers involved in the pay dispute are holding talks with the neighbouring Labour-controlled authorities of Birmingham, Wolverhampton, Walsall and Coventry in an attempt to persuade them to follow Sandwell's example in providing an alternative service.

Sandwell's decision means that patients in the borough could receive transport from the alternative service, regular ambulances manned by staff who have returned to work, bulancemen. They hope these the Army, the police, the Red will embarrass the Govern-

The first alternative am- bulance Brigade. The council, bulance service to be estab- advised by ambulance offilished by a council during the cers, has equipped the vehicles 16-week pay dispute began and claims that as they will be operating yesterday from a manned by trained ambulance municipal depot in Sandwell, crews, they will be able to carry out normal functions, including calls to accidents and other emergencies.

Mr Peter McArdle, a representative for the five ambulance stations in Sandwell, said yesterday that during each eight-hour shift, at least 12 ambulance officers would be available for unpaid, voluntary duty.

Mr Ron Davis, leader of Sandwell council, said: "Our number one priority is to make sure that services are "launched" at the council's available to the people of maintenance depot, where a Sandwell. It is an on-going thing and we do not yet know what the full financial implications will be."

● Ambulance unions are preparing for a crucial meeting at TUC headquarters in London to decide how to step up their campaign for an improved pay offer (Mark Souster writes).

Officials want to increase political pressure on the Government through sympathetic Conservative backbenchers which they believe will ultimately force concessions. To that end two letters were

made public yesterday, one from Mrs Thatcher when she was opposition leader, and the second from Mr David Trippier, Under Secretary of State at the Department of the Environment, both of which indicated support for am-

Testimony to new year terror



A Royal Ulster Constabulary man surveying the wreckage of the car booby-trapped by the IRA that exploded yesterda morning in the Sydenham area of East Belfast, killing Mr Harold Dickey, aged 37, a taxi driver, and injuring his daughte

Chess tournament

Russian scalp puts Scot in control

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

master, added a further scalp to his already impressive list of successes in the sixth round of the challengers section of the Foreign and Colonial chess tour-nament last night.

McNab utterly demolished Alex Workiewicz, the former Soviet inter-national master, in 40 moves. Playing fiercely and confidently with the white pieces, he sacrificed material to crash through with a horde of pawns.

In a desperate time scramble, Wortkiewicz lost his nerve, committed several errors and proceeded to lose all of his pieces under the heavy attack.

McNab, of Dundee, has the outstanding score of five-and-a-half points from six games and has consolidated his lead

Colin McNab, the international chess masters from the United States and eastern and western Europe.

Joseph Gallagher, the young Wimble-don player, defeated James Plaskett, the Bedford grandmaster, to take sole second place with five points, well on the road to achieving his second norm for a grandmaster title.

Sharing third place on four-and-a-half points are Patrick Wolff, of the US, Jan Sorensen, of Denmark, Mark Hebden and Tony Kosten, of England, and Milon Sher, of the Soviet Union.

In a surprise result, Robin Moss, the Hastings amateur, drew his game with Ivan Farago, the Hungarian grandmaster and former Hungarian champion.

In the grandmaster section of the tournament, being played at the Cinque

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the games yesterday ended in draws after 🚉 stem struggles.

Murray Chandler of England drew with Boris Gulko of US after a Roy Lopez opening; Michael Adams, aged 18, the British champion and youngest chess grandmaster, held Artur Yusupov, the Soviet world championship semi finalist, also in a Roy Lopez opening. Predrag Nikolic, of Yugoslavia, drew

with Sergei Dolmatov, of the Soviet Union, in a Dutch desence while Jonathan Speelman drew with Kevin Spragett, the dual Commonwealth champion, in a king's Indian defence.

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New calls for random tests

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committee, accepted the figures would be seen by some as a sign that police did not need greater powers but he claimed this reaction was foolhardy.

we are having a big impact on drink-driving but it currently takes a lot of police resources to enforce the law. Unfettered discretion to administer tests would be a much better deterrent. Mr David Marshall, Labour MP for Glasgow Shettleston

and chairman of the Commons Select Committee on Transport, said penalties for drink-driving should be increased to include life bans on driving and longer jail terms. "Twelve months or 18 months for a drink-driver who

There is not much difference between someone who goes out in a car and kills a person having drunk too much and the person who kills deliberately with a shotgun," he

The Home Office, which early last year began a review of whether random breath testing should be introduced, said the issue remained under "active review".

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Kinnock message to Russia

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

Mr Neil Kinnock urged the Soviet people to show "ste ness of spirit" rather than impatience in the search for reform during a new year broadcast across the USSR.

The Labour leader said that advance and change would "be more certain and solid" if it were taken steadily rather Mr Kinnock, who is to visit

Moscow for talks with President Gorbachov on January 16, said that nowhere would the opportunities and challenges of the new year or decade be greater than in the Soviet Union.

He hailed the changes taking place as having inspired progress elsewhere, both in the states of the Warsaw Pact and

peoples and governments of improvements at maximum speed."

The leader of the Oppo-sition said: "But change does not of course come by itself. As you know very well it brings with it new problems to solve. In solving them the great strength which you have shown in war and peace is going to be put to one of its greatest tests."

Clearly aware of the great challenge and pressures facing the Soviet leader, Mr Kinnock cautioned the Soviet people about the disadvantages of rushing ahead too quickly.

"The natural mood of the Russian people now is naturally one of impatience to get on with making more political, economic, industrial and democratic reforms and

"All that I can say," Mr Kinnock added, "is that I am certain that if the people of all parts of the Soviet Union show the great steadiness of spirit that you have shown so many times in the past, your advance will be more certain and more solid than it can be if it is rushed".

Meanwhile, Mr John Morris, the Shadow attorney-general, left London yesterday for a visit to Hong Kong He has been invited by the Bar and Law Society in Hong Kong to examine the proposals in the second draft of the Basic Law.

During his four-day visit he will meet Sir David Wilson, the Governor, and hold talks

Labour's reform bid attacked

By Richard Ford Political Correspondent

The Labour Party's plans for including abolition of the House of Lords, were dismissed as a "gerrymanderer's charter" by a Home Office minister yesterday.

Mr John Patten, Minister of State at the Home Office, said the absence of costings or details showed that ideas such as the creation of regional assemblies had not been properly thought out,

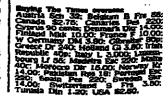
Labour policymakers' plans for the electoral system were "a gerrymanderer's charter, which, as well as creating an in-built bias, would be at the taxpayers' considerable ex-pense", he said in a message to the National Association of Conservative Graduates.

Mr Patten said that Labour had proposed to abolish the Lords and replace it with a new second chamber, to create regional assemblies and to abolish county councils without giving more than the merest hint of the new assemblies functions and costs.

"Starting, it seems, from the sole premise that they want an electoral system with an inbuilt bias, they have set out to redesign the constitutional framework that has served governments - including Labour governments - perfectly well in the past," Mr Patten

CORRECTION

The former King Constantine of Greece was referred to as Mr Constantine Glucksburg in a report from Athens on December 30. The report did not make clear that this name is usually applied by his political opponents.



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MP 'smashed up his Giant and the Tadpole Amnesiac link ex-lover's flat and stole her underwear'

lover's flat after she rejected his appeal to leave her new boyfriend and start afresh with him, Lewes Crown Court

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found to have two pairs of the woman's knickers and some of her jewellery in his raincoat, Mr Richard Camden Pratt, said for the prosecution.

Mr Brown, the 49-year-old MP for Edinburgh, Leith, denies causing nearly £800 criminal damage to Mrs Nonna Longden's flat in Charles Road, St Leonards. He also denies stealing the niderwear, a brooch, a watch, picture frame and carrings.
His wife, May, sat in the public gallery yesterday as Mrs Longden, aged 39, described fer three-year relationship with the MP. The couple had fixed together in Mr Brown's week. At weekends, Mr Brown returned to his wife in Edinmigh and Mrs Longden went home to St Leonards. The arrangement continued until

they split up last March. Mrs Longden said Mr Brown had called at her flat were put together, the word



The Labour MP, Ron Brown, smashed windows, mirrors and glasses in his former o'clock vote in the Commons.

"Love" was "rather pathetithe TuC at Eastbourne to a 10 cally" found scrawled on it.

When Mr Brown was

Mr Brown gave Mrs Long- arrested at the station, he was den £5 to buy a bottle of wine carrying a picture of Mrs and left, returning at about 6.30 pm, by which time her new boyfriend, Mr Dermot He was later stopped by Redmond had arrived. "I was police at a railway station and sitting beside Mr Redmond when Mr Brown returned," Mrs Longden said. "Mr Redmond said something to the effect that he had been

drinking and ought to leave." The MP did not go, and Mrs Longden agreed to talk in private, but the MP's speech was slurred and he was "so incomprehensible I gave up after five minutes," she said. "He asked if I would go back to London and start a new life

with him in a new flat." Mrs Longden said she and Mr Redmond decided to go out to give Mr Brown time to "sleep it off". As they went, a glass was hurled after them.

When the couple got to the street, they heard the sound of breaking glass from the flat and called the police. By the time the police arrived, the MP had gone and nearly everything of glass had been broken, Mr Pratt said. When the slivers of a broken mirror

sensitive tapes and that when Mr Brown had called last April it was to try to get them back. "You were using them as a bargaining counter for some continuing financial support," Mr Rees suggested. Mrs Longden denied any knowledge of any tapes, and laughed at a suggestion that

she had wrapped them in her

knickers and put them in Mr

When Mr Brown was

Longden as a baby in his coat,

police station, the underwear

and jewellery were found in

had "gone for him". Accord-

than half a dozen window

panes, mirrors and pictures in

the bedroom, kitchen and

living room had been

smashed as he ducked to

avoid bottles and glasses

Under cross-examination

by Mr Edward Rees, for the

defence, Mrs Longden agreed that the affair had been "fiz-

zling out" after details of their

relationship had become pub-

She also agreed that, after

the break-up of their affair, Mr Brown had entertained her and Mr Redmond amicably

in the Strangers' Bar at the Commons and had bought

Mr Rees suggested that Mrs

Longden had some politically-

Mr Pratt said the MP told the police that Mr Redmond

his pockets.

thrown at him.

lic knowledge.

them opera tickets.

Brown's pockets. Brown had paid some of her The range of this year's Boat Shew, which bills during their affair and starts at Earl's Court, west London, tomorrow, that since they had split up, is illustrated above. The largest and most she relied on social security expensive exhibit, the 70ft Hatterns 70, towers and her parents for income. above the smallest and cheapest boat in the She denied suggesting to Mr show, the Heyland Tadpole (Robin Young

Brown that she could sell her writes). The Hatteras 70 is a luxurious motor



fibreglass dinghy which sells for £182.85, including value-added tax. Ginny Kaasik, aged 12, from Wimbledon, south-west London, seems happy with the more modest of the two craft, for the present at least. The boats were photographed at Chelsea Harbour, Folham, west London, where, for the first time, more

to Scandinavia business crime

By Ruth Gledhill

found wandering in northern ask for petrol shortly after the France with apparent memory man was found. The man had loss has been identified.

born Danish national and that Rhone department. longer involved.

Scandinavian police were talking to their French counterparts about a man missing in connection with alleged business crimes.

The middle-aged man, who has not been named, was week ago after a passer-by spotted him climbing out of the River Somme. He said his name could be Richard Cross, or Jackson, but he had no identification papers, luggage

Essex police confirmed that he was the same man who arrived in Harwich on a ferry from Gothenburg, Sweden, on December 19, claiming total

Eve. who was taken to hos- the psychogenic type. pital and who discharged himself the next day.

Kynnersley, of Harwich police, said: "The fact that he's found his way to France after on the degree and type of apparently losing his memory might suggest that he's not an amnesiac at all. I think he does not want anyone to know who he is."

Police in France are also searching for a British couple driving a car with number plates from Bouches du Rhone in the South of France, route.

The English-speaking man who stopped in Abbeville to told police he remembered The Foreign Office in being in Aix en Provence, London said he was a British- which is in the Bouches du

British consular staff were no Memory loss may be a psychological reaction to stress or the result of physical injury to the brain (Our Science Editor writes).

Professor Alan Baddeley, of the Medical Research Council's Applied Psychology Research Unit, at Cambridge, taken to Abbeville Hospital a said the short-term nature of most cases of psychogenic amnesia had limited research into the subject.

Scientists could not explain how part of the memory might be shut down selectively and temporarily to dismiss painful or horrific memories. Most experience had come from survivors of frightful accidents or acts of violence.

However, a clear distinction memory loss. He was taken to could be made clinically beSeveralls Hospital in Colchester, but discharged himself after one day. caused by head injury and illnesses - including alcohol He also fits the description abuse, malnutrition, strokes, of a man who emerged from a oxygen starvation and carbon canal in Calais on Christmas monoxide poisoning - and

Scientists believe that memories are made of connections Chief Inspector James established between brain memory loss observed when narticular parts of the brain are damaged.

That can be used to explain why people remember how to ride a bicycle, get dressed or that they like sugar in tea when they forget a recentlylearned or little-used map

than 40 vessels will be on display for the story of their relationship to cruiser which sells at about £1 million with the Mr Ron Brown: "Love" Mrs Nonna Longden: Threefinal price depending on the costliness of the duration of the show, which runs until January The case continues today. fittings. The Tadpole is just 6ft long and is a scrawled on mirror. Man jailed after dog injured couple on order of 'kill'

The owner of an American pit was being used as a weapon". is very significant. the dog to attack two people

Kenneth Aymer, aged 22, had caused the injuries with of violence and in my judge-ordered the vicious pit bull, an instrument. He caused the ment an immediate custodial which had taken part in "kill, kill, kill".

Southwark Crown Court was told that the dog, which weighed six stone, caused horrific flesh wounds to Miss Mary Hypocrate and Mr Rene Marcell, her boy friend.

The dog, named Apollo, had to be beaten off with a baseball bat before it would release its grip. Miss Hypocrate was in hospital for eight days with a badly ripped

In passing sentence, the after a dispute at a party was judge told Aymer: "This was jailed for six months an act of violence and I have that it really is a very serious to look at it as if the defendant matter. This was a serious act



Judge Butler, QC, said the Miss Hypocrate and Mr Marcell: victims of pit bull terrier.

jury had based its conviction dog to attack the victims and sentence has to be passed," "on the finding that the dog even used the word kill. That Judge Butler said. Aymer, of Shadwell Street.

"When I look at the injuries sustained, I have to consider

because of lack of evidence. The incident occurred on December 28, 1988, when Teviot Street, Poplar, after a telephone call from his sister who said she and her brother had been attacked. Aymer and a youth worker for the Inner London Education Authority took the dog and a baseball bat for protection in anticipation of trouble, Mr John Haines, prosecuting, said.

> The dog first sprang at Miss jaws onto her leg. She told the

causing grievous bodily harm

and acquitted of a second

to rip my flesh. There was we need is a sentence to show flesh on the floor." Her calf people they can't go round muscle was torn apart and Poplar, east London, was found guilty of one charge of needed numerous stitches.

The dog next turned on Mr Marcell, aged 32, as Aymer gave the command to "kill". At first, Mr Marcell beat off 60 hours' community service the dog with the baseball bat after he was found guilty on Aymer had dropped and two accounts of being cruel to chased after him. But Aymer his two American pit bull suddenly stopped, freed Apollo from its lead again and ordered it to attack.

The dog, with blood dripping from its mouth, sank its teeth deep into Mr Marcell's thigh, ripping spart the main muscle and exposing fats. Rescuers beat it off with the bat and it was later destroyed.

Miss Hypocrate condemned Hypocrate, aged 33, locking its the sentence as inadequate: "He's going to be free when court: "My leg went numb. I I'm still in pain." Mr Marcell screamed in agony. It started said: "This is ridiculous. What

people they can't go round using dogs as weapons. These things are lethal."

♠ A Walworth man was banned from owning a dog for five years and ordered to serve

Camberwell magistrates were told that the dogs' injuries were consistent with "systematic and commercial dogfighting". Terence Clark, aged 23, was also ordered to pay £200 costs and had the dogs confiscated. Clark, of Boston House, Crawford Estate, had pleaded guilty.

The court was told by the defence that the dogs had fought and that Clark had been unable to separate them.

Personal stereo warning

By Nicholas Watt

Personal stereos can be as loud as a pneumatic drill with damage to the ears at first going unnoticed, according to a report published yesterday by the National Deaf Children's Society.

The society tested seven models at Manchester University, using music by Mahler and the rock group Iron Maiden, and found peak levels exceeded 90 decibels in all

but one case. could compare 100 decibels with the noise made by a pneumatic drill, while 140 decibels is the physical threshold of pain." Permanent damage to bearing would be

cumulative. Mr Harry Cayton, director of the society, said children were at greater risk than adults because a child's ear was smaller, increasing the pressure on the ear drum. He recommened a legal limit on

PORTFOLIO PLATINUM

Five share £2,000 winnings

Five shared yesterday's £2,000 prize in the Portfelio

Mr William Hyde, aged 69, a retired accountant and former bursar of Oxford University, of Ducklington, Oxfordshire, said his win "came out of the blue". He money to do up their sitting room with new curtains.

Mr William Googe, aged 78, a retired bank worker, of the Isle of Wight, said: "The win is very gratifying, but I haven't got a clae what to do with the money.'

The other winners were Mr Stanley Vince, of London: Mr Francis McLaughlin, of Bournemouth; and Mrs J MacDonald, of Richmond,

Increase in Rushdie protests

By Ruth Gledhill

Muslim leaders said yesterday that they plan to begin this year with an intensive campaign against The Satanic Verses, whose author, Mr Salman Rushdie, remains in hiding with police protection.

Mr Sher Azam, president of the Council for Mosques in Bradford, said that a five-day vigil would begin outside the London headquarters of the publisher, Viking Penguin, next Monday.

Muslims will also picket its offices in Bradford, Birmingham, Glasgow, Cardiff and the East Midlands. Details of a further mass

protest are expected to be announced next week. Another body, the Islamic Society for the Promotion of Religious Tolerance, plans to Stell Will's express disagreement with the late Ayatollah Khomeini's death threat against Mr. Rushdie by holding a cou-

ference in London to call for

freedom of expression.

Sales figures defy gloomy forecasts

are predicting record takings from the winter sales, which have been running for a week, in spite of gloomy pre-Christmas forecasts.

been spending heavily, particularly on fashion and electrical goods. Traders in the West End of

London reported hectic business, although the Oxford Street Association blamed Westminster City Council's lord mayor's parade for reduced New Year's Day sales. Mr Harry Shepherd, direc-

tor of the association, said: "I think sales will be marginally up. People are now buying for themselves rather than other Business at Marks and Spencer's 288 stores was bet-

Department store managers least on a par with last year. John Lewis reported that the sales were going well, although none of its 23 stores opened on New Year's Day. Liberty in Regent Street said takings Undannted by high interest were up 10 per cent on last rates, bargain-hunters have year, with fashions, scarves and fabrics selling well. Mens-wear and womens' coats were

selling particularly well at Debenham branches. Most departments at Selfridges in Oxford Street were trading well. Mr Bob Ager, marketing director, saidsales on the first day, a week ago, were up by 10 per cent on last

> which has 110 branches, began its sale in England on Monday and in Scotland yesterday. A spokeswoman said the company was pleased by the response so far.

House of Fraser, which has ter than at the same time last 65 stores trading under 16 year. Sales of men's and names, including Army and womens' wear at the 40 Navy, Binns and Rackhams, branches of Austin Reed ex- is looking forward to a record ceeded estimates and were at sales period.

Fair employment body for Ulster

By Edward Gorman, Irish Affairs Correspondent

which the Government believes will effectively tackle a a range of new sanctions
antiqued imbalance in emsvailable to it. Employment Commission. ployment between Protestants and Roman Catholics, was officially launched yesterday.

The Government hopes that powers under the new Act - including, for the first time, "affirmative action" - will give the commission sufficiently sharp legislative teeth to combat discrimination in employment practices and force employers to comply

with its directives. Mr Robert Cooper, chairthat the legislation was exciting and imaginative.

meaningful way." The new £30,000.

Northern Ireland's new Fair commission retains the pow ers of its predecessor, the Fair

> Employers will be required to register with the commission, to monitor their work forces, and to review regularly employee composition, recruitment, training and promotion practices.

The commission can set goals and timetables for comrepresentation in the workforce. Companies found guilty of "bad practice" can be banned from holding public man of the commission, said authority contracts or receiving government grants.

Ultimately, the commission "Inequality of opportunity can take a company to court, and inequality in Northern where it could face fines up to Ireland has long been one of £30,000, or support an inthe most intractable prob- dividual complainant in prolems," he said. "We now have ceedings under a new Fair legislation which will help us Employment Tribunal which to tackle the problems in a can award compensation very sensitive, sensible and against employers of up to

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Not so naughty holidays in nineties for the young By Shona Crawford Poole Travel Editor

Lager louis are out, and couples are in for the not-so-naughty nineties, according to Club 18-30, the holiday company catering for the youth mar-ket best known for its mass market

Market research carried out among h 25,000 young customers, whose berage age has risen from 20½ to 22 its, shows that two in five clients gerial er supervisory clerital jobs and 14 per cent are norses.

Exchers or have other professional occupations. The findings dictate a

national Leisure Group.

Mr Pete Williams, sales and marketing director, said: "The preconceived idea of the typical Club 18-30 client as male, 19 years old, usually wearing Union Jack shorts, and generally labelled a lager lout is a

thing of the past." The firm is also having to change tack in accepting no bookings from large, single-sex groups. For the first time, it is putting together summer holiday packages for couples who do not want the company of action-

seeking singles or of families with

more sober, apmarket image for the children. They will be accommodated the Twenties label in the Owners company, which is part of the Inter- in quieter hotels away from the main Abroad group. Mr John Boyle, its

Although the company's research shows that fewer than one in five of its customers has mortgage repayments to consider when making holiday plans, bookings for next summer are reported to be down by as much as 40 per cent.

Thomson, Britain's largest tour operator, began its own Freestyle brand to compete with Club 18-30 for the youth market, but dropped it at the end of its fourth season. The International Leisure Group's chief competitor for young holidaymakers is

director, said: "This market is very, very young. Many of these holidaymakers have to get parental per-mission to book, and if they are planning to go away with an outfit which has a reputation for bonking and booze, they are not going to get that permission. "Club 18-30 and Twenties had

fewer people arrested in Ibiza last summer than companies that do not offer the supervision of trained representatives that the specialist operators do. We both got letters of thanks from

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Airlines hoping to double 1989 total of 1.1bn passengers

By Harvey Elliott, Air Correspondent

The number of passengers who travelled by air last year was 1.1 billion - almost 50 per cent higher than in 1980 - and the number is expected to double in the next decade.

Figures produced by the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) yes-terday show that after virtually no growth in 1980 and 1981, the number of people who travelled on scheduled services grew throughout the decade, reaching a peak increase of 7 per cent in 1986

At the beginning of the decade oil prices had rocketed, sending fuel costs soaring and the world's economy — and the number of people travelling — plummeting.

Sir Adam Thomson, chair-man of British Caledonian Airways, said then: "Recession is when you have to tighten your belts. Depression is when you have no belt left to tighten. And when your trousers are around your ankles you are in the airline

In Britain, the state-owned British Airways was plunging further and further into debt, and in 1981 the airline recorded a loss of £454 million.

The Americans, who decided that if airlines were free to fend for themselves in a deregulated environment prices would tumble and competition would increase were proved speciacularly wrong. In practice, the smaller airlines were gradually swal-lowed up by their larger and richer rivals until the handful than manufacturers can cope of giant airlines was able to dictate prices and timetables

The European airlines, cocooned by rigid protectionism and IATA's price-fixing cartel, were suddenly confronted with American expansion in to their heartland.

Britain, which had privatized British Airways, led the way in putting pressure on Europe to relax its strict controls over airlines, the routes they could fly, the prices they could charge and number of flights they

Many other nations, horrified by what had happened in

■ Multi-national giants will control the main routes 9

the US, resisted strongly, how-ever, arguing that their nat-ional carriers would go into terminal decline unless strict regulations were in force to protect them from the more rapacious competitiors. They have proved to be a brake on the headlong rush to American-style deregulation.

Now oil prices are stable, costs are under control, and the world economy is still growing strongly.

From overall losses of £6 billion in 1981, the world's airlines are making combined profits of more than £2 billion a year. The future has never looked rosier for the industry. More aircraft are on order average of 7 per cent.

with. Engines are more fuel efficient, quieter and more-powerful than was dreamed of 10 years ago.

The boom in demand, however, has not been matched by an increase in capacity, either leading to fears that when demand outstrips supply, market forces will lead to higher prices.

Airlines are worried that the moves towards European liberalization will bring an even air travel that they will not be able to meet, simply because there are no more slots available at airports and the air traffic control system could not cope if there were.

By 1999 there will almost certainly be fewer airlines. "Globalization" is the key word, meaning that multinationally owned carriers will be able to provide a seamless round-the-world system operating out of main hub airports. There will, however, be room for some smaller

● It will be more expensive to fly from East Midlands airport to Glasgow than from Heathrow to Glasgow from next month under fare increases proposed by British Midland

The East Midlands-based airline, which has traditionally led the way in low-cost, high-quality services on domestic air routes, has been given approval to raise 32 fares an

Carrington home theft charges

A car dealer has been charged with stealing property worth £250 at Lord Carrington's home at Chelsea, west London, in the early hours of New

Mr Gary Robertson, aged 31, of Islington, north London, was remanded on £10,000 bail at Horseferry Road Magistrates' Court, Westminster, yesterday.

He is charged with stealing two sets of cufflinks, three keys, foreign currency and jewellery. Lord Carrington was not at home at the time.

Marriage over Sir Edward du Cann, aged 65, chairman of Lourho, and his wife, Sallie, aged 50, were divorced yesterday after 27 years of marriage.

Patient dies

Melanie Gold, aged 16, Yarnscombe, Devon, died at Papworth Hospital, Campridge, on New Year's Eve, a year after undergoing a heart and lung transplant.

Reptiles stolen

Police were hunting thieves yesterday who escaped with a haul of 34 reptiles worth £1,200, including a 6ft boa constrictor, in a raid on a pet shop at Merstham, Surrey.

Pyjama escape

A pyjama-clad Egyptian, who, hours earlier was refused entry into Britain, has vanished from Buckland Hospital, Dover, where he was sent after convincing immigration of-

Democrats call for nursery vouchers

Workers with children under they were the most radical for

their employers as part of proposals by the Liberal Democrats for extensive changes to the taxation and

The treatment, for taxation purposes, of workplace nurseries as a perk would be ended and employees, including single parents, would use the voucher to pay for child care

A flexible retirement age would let people choose when

Under changes proposed by Mr Paddy Ashdown's party, everyone aged between 16 and 65 would receive £10-a-week citizen's income, irrespective of sex, marital status, income or employment. A low-income benefit would replace income support, family credit

and unemployment benefit. The elderly would receive pensions tax free. The creation of a registered savings account would allow all types of savings to get equal amounts of tax relief.

A broad income tax would be introduced as a single tax on spending capacity, replacing income tax, national insurance contributions, capital gains tax and inheritance tax. Lady Seear, who chaired the working group that drew

school age would be provided reform of taxation and social with child-care vouchers by security.

She said: "We propose a system which is much less complicated, yet a system that is also much fairer. It is neither a proposal for targetting all benefits nor a proposal for universalizing benefits."

With increases expected in the number of working women and in the number of elderly, the proposals on child care and retirement outlined in a document, Common Benefit, are clearly aimed at to retire between the ages of 60 both sectors of the electorate.

> Lady Seear said the proposals would redistribute wealth within families, mainly towards women.

The Liberal Democrats propose an increase in the basic state pension from £48 for a single person aged over 65, a £1-a-week rise in child benefit, which would be linked to inflation, and abolition of the lower rate of income support for those aged under 25.

The party would also end the obligation on everybody to pay 20 per cent of the community charge. All income above the first £20 a week, and apart from the citizen's payment, would be liable to tax.

There would be an additional tax rate of 50 per cent, starting at about £50,000 a year, and a rate of 25 per cent. for pensioners with incomes up the proposals, said that of about £17,000 a year.

Reform of tax and benefits

By Richard Ford, Political Correspondent

By Charles Knevitt nd Robin Young Two buildings by controversial modernist architectural practices have

been "called in" to receive national awards announced today by the Royal Institute of British Architects, although they were denied regional awards in the preliminary judging. The buildings are the Merseyside

Tate Gallery at Albert Dock, Liverpool, by James Stirling, Michael Wilford and Associates; and the Solid

State Logic headquarters at Oxford, by Michael Hopkins and Partners. RIBA rales permit juries judging for

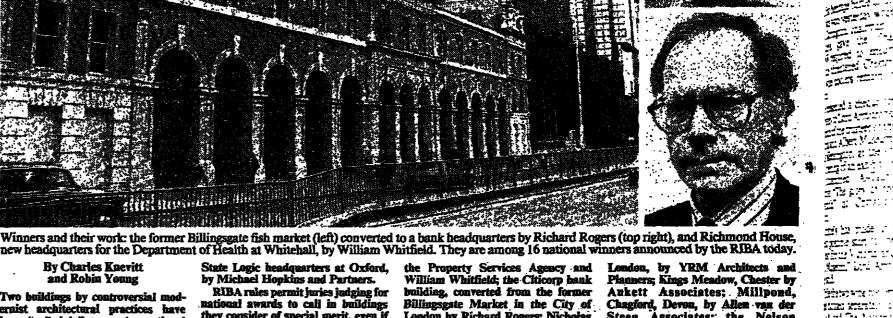
national awards to call in buildings they consider of special merit, even if they were not regional winners. Mr Hopkins wins another award for a circular cutlery factory built for

David Mellor in Hathersage, Derbyshire. The other winners are: the Courts of

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building, converted from the former Billingsgate Market in the City of London by Richard Rogers; Nicholas Grimshaw's "transparent" printing works for the Financial Times in east London: the Ecotechnology Centre, Cranfield in Bedfordshire by Chamberlin, Powell, Bon & Woods; Haward House, Kentish Town, north-west Justice at Truro, Cornwall, by Eldred London, by Joanna van Heyningen and Barkin Haward; Homerton Hos-House. Whitehall, central London, by pital and Education Centre, east

the Property Services Agency and William Whitfield; the Citicorp bank Planners, Kings Meadow, Chester by Aukett Associates; Millpond, Chagford, Devon, by Allen van der Steen Associates; the Nelson Mandela Community Primary School, Birmingham, by the city architect, W G Reed; court offices and library at Ledbury, Herefordshire by William G McCorran; the headquarters of Next, at Enderby, Leicestershire, by ORMS Designers and Architects; and TSB Scotland, St Andrews, by Nicol Russell Studio.



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Minister hails heritage as nation's finest asset

National awards for modernist architects

By Simon Tait Arts Correspondent

Heritage is Britain's biggest asset and the Government aims to increase access to historic buildings, Mr David Trippier, Minister for the Environment, said yesterday.

Mr Trippier, in one of his first newspaper interviews since his appointment as minister responsible for heritage, said: "I would like to see the built heritage - the magnificent historic buildings in the public domain - feature in the forthcoming White Paper on the environment.

"We believe that the built heritage is an integral part of the overall environment, and I out of the country. However,

don't think people realize that Mr Trippier said: "First, the as a magnet to attract more "What I'm particularly keen we want to address that di- Armouries have more stock people to come over here." rectly. We actually think it's than they could possibly put our most priceless asset."

enhanced role in the summer. His junior is Lord Hesketh. It is the first time that there have been two beritage ministers. Mr Trippier supported a controversial proposal by the Royal Armouries, the nat-

ional museum of arms and atmour, to open a branch in the United States, possibly in Boston, which would show some of its finest pieces to Critics have attacked the

cheme for taking one of Britain's principal treasures

on display at one time. Sec-Mr Tripper took up his ondly, if you are going to show those items abroad, it can act

> Mr Trippier: Conscious of growing interest in heritage.

He said: "In my day as tourism minister, there were only about 12 per cent of the entire American population that had passports and had actually been abroad, so there is a massive market.

"Heritage is our biggest national asset and I would regard it as an investment on the part of the Armouries to go

Mr Trippier said the Government was conscious of a new awareness of historic buildings. "We welcome the recognition given to the built heritage and I think it's very particular growth," he said. sometimes distorted.

on is presenting our national assets to the general public in a more attractive way. We now have three million visitors to the historic royal palaces. "The new agency I launched

a few weeks ago, which has special reponsibility for the palaces, will give priority to increasing numbers. English Heritage properties attract five million visitors a year, compared with three million in 1987."

However, he said he was watching carefully a trend towards heritage theme parks, whereby monuments were used purely as tourism attracimportant that we assist that tions with their histories

Employers accused of job bias against offenders

By Quentin Cowdry Home Affairs Correspondent

Most employers are prejudiced against hiring offenders, according to early results of a national survey of employers by the Apex Trust, a charity which promotes job opportunities for offenders.

The trust said yesterday that the survey would show that most employers were ignorant of the legislation, which gives some offenders the right not to disclose spent convictions when applying for jobs, joining organiz-ations or taking out insurance.

It said that the few employers who had some understanding of the law had gleaned information by accident rather than from official sources and it campaign to publicize the Rehabilita-tion of Offenders Act, which is designed to protect from discrimina-tion people with spent convictions.

The survey is also expected to show that many employers covered by the exemption clauses of the Act interpret this to mean that they do not have to offer offenders work, when, in fact, they have the right only to insist that spent convictions are disclosed.

Other research by the trust indicates that more than 90 per cent of offenders are ignorant of the Act.

"Taken together, it is not surprising that offenders, particularly those just out of prison, suffer job discrimina-tion," Mr Andrew McCall, the trust's campaigns' officer, said. "We think the Government should hanch a major drive to raise awareness of the Act. Just leaving leaflets in Citizens'

Probation Service surveys show that offenders suffer disproportionately from unemployment.

In Greater Manchester, for example, employment rates among the service's clients are, on average, five times higher than for the general population, while in some parts of Avon and Somerset they can be more than 10 times higher.

The trust and the National Council for Civil Liberties believe that there is a strong case for the Act, at present limited to offenders sentenced to any panishment up to 30 months imprisonment, to be extended.

However, with ministers unwilling

to take such a radical step, they hope

to press the Government into increas-

ing the effectiveness of the present legislation. Under the Act, someone

disclosing a person's spent conviction is, with certain exceptions, liable to criminal prosecution, though in the 15 years since the offence was created not one case has come to court. "This is plainly absurd, as we know

unauthorized disclosure occurs regularly, but it is very difficult to prove, particularly as some victims do not even realize they are being wronged," Mr McCall said.

The Act save that spent convictions may be taken into account where an offender is seeking employment in a range of professions, including medi-cine, nursing and the law, or wants to e a policeman, teacher or join the Armed Services.

Employers in these fields may use an undisclosed speat conviction as legitimate grounds for refusing

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Police air force plan studied

By Our Home Affairs Correspondent The possibility of setting up a

national police air force is to be examined in an independent study commissioned by the Home Office, some of whose senior officials firmly back the idea. The Home Office said yes-

terday the review would estabway in which helicopters and other aircraft might be pro-vided for Britain's 54 police forces, many of whom could not afford full-time air units. However, the Association of County Councils described the study as unnecessary, "Forces have evaluated shar-

ed facilities and found that

they are neither effective nor

Some chief constables and council officials think the Home Office is prejudiced in favour of a national unit, which would echo other centralizing moves in recent years affecting the structure of the police force. That suggestion has been firmly rejected

by the department.

"A centrally-funded unit is a sensible option, but it is only one of a number that will be looked at," a spokesman said.

value for money," Mr Geof-frey Waterer, chairman of the "centrally-managed air sup-"centrally-managed air supassociation's police commitport organization" would altee, said. "That is why they low twin-engined helicopters, have gone for their own costing about £1 million to buy and £300 every flying hour to operate, to be used only when necessary. Helicopters and a smaller number of fixed wing aircraft would be located at regional bases, backed up by a central directorate and warehouse with such equipment as surveillance cameras and thermal

Sixteen forces already operate air units or are about to buy or lease aircraft for opera-tions including traffic control, In October, the department surveillance and manhouts.

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scheme for General **Teaching Council**

days after it was disclosed that principle." an outline agreement had been reached on the scheme.

six teachers' unions which agreed in principle before time. company to oversee the project, said it was not willing to en further.

The council would oversee fessional standards in Engish and Welsh schools.

The union's general sec-retary-designate, Mr Nigel de Gruchy, said: "We regard a disclosure on Monday that ent time. The time for a and as far as we can see it is an idea whose time has gone."

be willing to commit large the Dixons electrical chain, sums of money to funding a secretariat to handle the formation of the new council Dixons to put £1 million into because it believed that the a city technology college in Government would never en-Bradford if its bid succeeded. Government would never endorse the concept.

Plans to set up a General council in the 1990s is just pie honoured although all of the Teaching Council received a in the sky," he said. "But we company's "community setback yesterday only two are still in favour of a GTC in

The National Association of plan are due to meet in Schoolmasters/Union of London on February 6, and Women Teachers, one of the talks will include employers' representatives for the first report on the playground kill-

> union had opposed the move terday denied that the docubecause the local authority ment was "patronizing" to a employers had "a vested in- mother who gave evidence to and should not be involved in setting pro-

GTC as a waste of time at the agreement in principle had been reached on the plan to set GTC was probably the 1970s up a permanent body to and as far as we can see it is an dea whose time has gone."

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Mr Geoffrey Mulcahy, chief
"The thought of this Goveriment agreeing to the cre- any legally binding agreement ation of a 'producer-led' signed by Dixons would be analysis is objective."

commitments" would be reviewed if Kingfisher won con-The 20 educational trol A spokesman for King-organizations involved in the fisher said it appeared that the CTC sponsorship deal was

 One of the authors of a ing of a 13-year-old Asian boy Mr de Gruchy said that his at a Manchester school yesthe inquiry.

> viewed by the four-member inquiry team after she withdrew her son from a state primary school in protest at the Labour-controlled city council's anti-racist education policies. She said she believed parts of the 520-page report, to be published as a paperback today, which described her as "deprived" and "white working class", were "patronizing and libellous".

Mr Gus John, director of education in Hackney, east London, and a member of the inquiry team, said yesterday: We attempted to quote her fairly and accurately and our



Dame Vera Lynn listening to children from Liberty Middle School, Mitcham, reading poems yesterday about what life would be like as a pensioner in the next century. Dame Vera was helping to launch the golden jubilee of the charity Age Concern, of which she is vice-president. Schoolchildren are taking part in a competition by writing poems, "rap" rhymes or blank verse to describe life in 50 years' time. The best 50 entries will be published later this year.

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Silver wine coolers to stay in Britain

The first heritage battle of the year was won yesterday when Lord Carrington, chairman of Christie's, gave the final £68,000 required to ensure that the threatened Chesterfield wine coolers remain in

He presented a cheque for the money to Lord Armstrong, chairman of the trustees of the Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington, at the official opening of an exhibition of Mohammed Al-Tajir's collection "The glory of the goldsmith" at Christie's

'Christie's has made this the best possible start to the Paul de Lamerie (1688-1751) new year for the Victoria and Albert Museum," Lord Annstrong said.

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While the two wine coolers will be housed separately at the V&A and The National Museums of Scotland, we are planning to display them to-gether as often as possible."

The coolers were sold for £750,000 last year. However, the Government Reviewing Committee on the export of works of art stopped their departure to the United States John Shaw

to match the price by January 18. It also took the unusual step of "starring" the coolers to indicate their special status. An appeal was launched by the museums and the money was raised, with just over a fortnight to spare, through public donation assisted by

the National Heritage Mem-

orial Fund and the National

Art Collections Fund. The coolers were made by and Paul Crespin (1694-1770), two of the greatest eighteenthcentury English goldsmiths, for the 4th Earl of Chesterfield on his appointment as British

ambassador to The Hague. They are considered to be the most outstanding examples of English silver in the French Late Regence style.

Mr John Murdoch, assistant director, collections, at the V&A, said: "It has been a good example of co-operation between museums and a marvel-lous precedent for the future."

Campaign for fairer subsidence payouts

By John Young

A campaign to obtain fairer treatment for people whose nomes or businesses are damaged by mining subsidence has been launched amid claims that more than a quarter of all parliamentary constituencies are or could in future be affected by deep mining.

A joint working party of the Country Landowners' Association, the National Farmers' Union, the British Property Federation, the Building Socicties' Association, the Law Society and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors is sending letters to 170 MPs of all parties in areas where coalbearing strata are known or thought to exist.

The list has been compiled by the Law Society in conjunc-tion with British Coal, and includes such unlikely areas as Penrith, the High Peak area of Derbyshire, Banbury, Abing-

don and Penrith. Mr John Henderson, chairman of the working party, says affected areas are widespread and extend far beyond the coalfields.

'We want to emphasize that this is no narrow issue, but a genuine cause for national concern. We are asking these MPs to support our drive for better compensation for people whose properties, lives and businesses are disrupted and sometimes destroyed by coal mining," he said.

British Coal said it took its responsibility for dealing with subsidence damage very seriously. Some 25,000 claims were received every year, of which between 90 and 95 per

cent were settled satisfactorily. The Government has put forward proposals for legislation covering subsidence and compensation, which are now the subject of consultation.

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Salmon farmers agree to code on wildlife

By Nick Nuttall, Technology Correspondent

Scottish salmon farmers have last resort". Under the code greed with conservation groups on a code of conduct on wildlife around fish farms, it was disclosed yesterday.

The agreement between the Scottish Salmon Growers' Association and the Nature Conervancy Council, the World Wide Fund for Nature, the Marine Conservation Society, the Vincent Widlife Trust and Natural Environment Council's sea mammal unit otings of wild animals ig to feed on stocks.

Dr Jim Buchanan, technical said the Farming and Preda-tory Wildlife Guidlines offered ners "detailed advice in relation to the law and species

It also set out "auti-predattry measures such as netting and seal-scaring devices as well as humane shooting as a

the association has come hers to continue the funding of research projects into tive control of wildlife.

nounced officially next mouth, instification" for the destruction of surface-li properly deployed anti-pred-ator nets should be used first against diving birds before growers considered more drac-

It has been accepted that ologies do not as yet exist ward off seals totally. However, farmers must atpt reasonable measures to salmon cages before the kill-

ing of a seal can be considered. The destructive control of otters cannot be justified in any circumstance," it says. THE TELEPONOMINAV IANIIARY I 1990.

Evidence grows of a planned coup

The mythology of the Romato crumble yesterday. An ex-cited young man pushed him-self in front of the cameras: "There was no conspiracy! This was a real revolution!

A week ago, with blood on the pavement, there seemed no doubt about the authenticity of the snap revolution — and indeed, the bravery of thousands of Romanians is

But there is a crucial embiguity about the role of the Army and the Foreign Ministry - the only two institutions under Ceausescu with regular communications to Moscow - and a growing suspicion that the popular uprising was in fact a carefully planned coup d'etat.

The first myth has already one: that 60,000 were killed n the Christmas fighting. Independent estimates now put the death toll closer to a still substantial 7,000.

Mr Aurel Dragos Munteamu, the new chairman of television, said yesterday that it was all a misunderstanding - the original high number referred to casualties, and not

The Romanians need, from national pride, to believe the spark that flew from the massacre in Timisoara to Bucharest, blasting the squares and streets, cracking the nerve of Ceausescu - in short, a

But there is considerable circumstantial evidence that some generals had prepared a contingency plan as carly as last month, when a group of former Communist officials, including the influential former ambassador, Mr Silviu Brucan, published an open

letter attacking Ceausescu. This letter identified an opposition core. Now it has been disclosed that present members of the revolutionary Government were already meeting secretly six months ago, had contacts with gen-erals, and had even agreed on the name of the National

Promotion in the Army had been locked for almost three years and younger officers



executive committee of the

revolutionary Government,

Mr Casimir Ionescu, said:

for the past two years. We

off the ground - but we kept

on with our meetings and

followed Gorbachov very

closely. We thought that the

only people who could carry it

out were retired people who

had no jobs to lose, or

Hungarians and Germans

because Ceausescu wouldn't

This is an amazing in-discretion because the official

version is that the leadership

was fused, in Mr Brucan's

words, "in the flame of the

Why does it matter? Be-

cause the Romanians have to

dare to kill them.'

We have been planning this

never thought we would get it

A young boy sitting behind a gun on a Romanian armoured personnel carrier under the watchful eye of a soldier in Republic Square, Bucharest, yesterday.

unusually high proportion of crowds that made Ceausescu conscripts — 95,000 — it is panic. The general was exeparticularly close to the cuted soon afterwards and has neople. Soldiers clear away the snow, gather in the harvest, build offices, lay railway track and dig up coal.

The Securitate, by contrast, was in constant training, had generous rations and a disproportionately high budget. There were also officers within the Army to report on its loyalty - this did more than anything to breed anti-Ceausescu feeling. By the time of the party congress in November, some high-ranking offi-

Then came Timisoara. It was plainly a genuine outburst especially were concerned of anger, but the spread of the revolt was facilitated by the

General Vasile Milea to refuse to shoot on the Bucharest made a posthumous

nia's national news agency, terday it was the overthrow of Ceausescu. Agerpres has provided a daily unian free press review and reported extensively on the new leadership.

national hero. The Army changed sides with astonishing speed. The ruling Revolutionary Front barged their way into Ceausescu's office.

All this seems to have been immaculately programmed. believe that they overthrew In a foreign television inter-Ceausescu by themselves.

revolutionary authorities any legitimacy. Any suggestion of a conspiracy or, worse, of a Soviet connection, in some way diminishes the significance of the uprising.

Yet the timing of the revolution was very precise. Bucharest wits say that the Polish revolution was made in 10 years, the Hungarian in 10 months, the East German in 10 weeks, the Czechoslovak in 10 days - and the Romanian in 10 hours.

Certainly Ceausescu was out of the country, visiting Iran, and Soviet "humanitarquickly indeed. Did this include ammunition? The National Salvation Front denies it vehemently. But it is a fact that the Army ran out of ammunition after two days' fighting, that new supplies

blocked on that day and that the head of the National Salvation Front telephoned Mr Gorbachov very early in the revolution.

Nobody has an interest in delving deeply. The most likely explanation is that the Army was ready to seize on any popular flare-up. The Army is now pivotal to the future of the revolution.

The military leadership is now completely aligned with the revolutionary Government. But if the management of the economy runs out of control, or if there is pressure from the students to radicalize the revolution, then the Army may well grow impatient. If it withdraws its support from

the Government, then Roma-

Corneliu Bogdan, the long-

Washington who broke with

Sauls becoming Pauls as new order emerges

critic of Ceausescu who has taken over as Culture Minister, summoned his civil servants and gave them the kind of subtle ultimatum now fashionable in Romania. "I want everyone in this

meeting to decide whether they really served culture over the past years," he told his stunned officials. "The older members of this ministry can will be found jobs elsewhere. Please examine your hearts and we will see who is left on

Nobody had ever spoken to officials like that before: it was a new language. Appeals to conscience have been as rare in Romania as salami and 00-watt lightbulbs.

This is the time of great and sudden conversions. Sauls are turning into Pauls. The man who was so unpleasant to me in the Foreign Ministry, who blocked a visa to Romania for five years, pulled me into a Hollywood hug, kissed both cheeks, and declared: "At last we're free!"

Whole embassies are de-nouncing the fiendish dictator whom they were so convinc-ingly defending and promoting just six weeks ago.

The same people who ap-

plauded Ceausescu 67 times at the party congress in November are calling for the dissolution of their own party. At student meetings, professors preface their speech by admitting to shameless opportunism in the past; journalists sign off their articles by announcing that these are the first truthful words they have written for 20 years.

The impression is of being caught in a huge marquee of evangelists, surrounded by people who speak in tongues or find salvation. It provokes a degree of cynicism.

Where is the opposition? The Securitate is either lurkmove or, yes, converting. This is the necessary theatre of revolution; necessary, that is, opposition has been as thoroughly neutered as it was

Mr Andrei Piesu, a former apart from that created by tion has to reach an accommodation with the ancien régime. Slavic cultures purge, the Latins shoot, kiss and forget. It is the same clasticity that allowed Romania and indeed Italy, to change sides with such agility in war.

But there were real victims of Ceausescu. One bumps into them everywhere. There was a man on the road to Otopeni airport whose bouse was removed, every brick of it because Ceausescu had a mad scheme to build a personal underground railway from party headquarters to the airport 12 miles away. He was, it seems, as afraid of the people

as the people were of him. He had a holiday villa near Snagov, a beautiful wooded spot, with deer running wild, on the edge of a lake. From Snagov come the

familiar stories. Local farmers were ordered to destroy all their livestock because the mooing of the cows once kept Elena Ceausescu awake. A man who once tried to retition Ceausescu when he arrived on holiday tries pathetically to buttonhole a reporter. He was paralysed after being beaten by the Securitate. Then there is the sands of lei because his chicken ran in front of the Ceausescus' car.

Most Romanians can argo that they were victims, since the Securitate was so venomous. But the intellectuals have the flimsiest arguments for their collaboration with the authorities.

What is one to make of court poets such as Florian Popescu who wrote only recently that Elena Ceausesco was the "wind and the sun"?

rewards of such compromise are actually rather low: he ing in attics plotting its next does not live in a sprawling dacha or drive a flashy car Stalin jailed and murdered poets but he also respected them, regarded them as important. Ceausescu merely dender Ceausescu. graded them. Perhaps they too There is no political class then are a kind of victim.

The legacy of austerity

Food supply crucial to prevent unrest

Ceausescu's nuclear promises under spotlight

Bucharest said it would be

used at the Triga reactor near

Bucharest, a teaching facility

combined with a research

centre and a plant for making

The West German maga-

zine, Der Spiegel, reported in May that Romania was build-

ing a plant to assemble mis-siles capable of carrying nuclear warbeads, using tech-

nology imported mainly from

It said the plant was being

From Anatol Lieven Iasi, Soviet-Romanian border

Food and fuel shortages did as much as anything to bring down the Ceausescu regime in Romania - and could equally threaten the new

Mr Florentin Carpani, the director of the country's largest agro-industrial enterprise, said bleakly that "hunger and cold" had been the most important factors in the overthrow of the late dictator.

So food provision is the most tergent task facing provisional administrators, leading to exports of Romania's main products, food and oil, being "temporarily" suspended. To pay off the huge foreign debts

incurred by his regime. Ceausescu launched a forced export policy in 1981 without any consideration for the well-being of the people. The result has been widespread malnutrition, and a mortality rate rumoured to have risen sharply.

In the wake of the provisional Government's announcement that peasant farmers are to be allowed to own small pieces of land and grow produce for the free market, it is unclear both how the foreign contracts made under Ceausescu's policy can be honoured - even after a delay

Diplomatic Editor

The Romanian authorities are

Ceausesco regime's nuclear

research programme to estab-

lish whether it had any mili-

tary purposes. Although the

regime said it had no such intention, there was concern in

Hungary that it might be

secretly developing a nuclear bomb capability. It is fairly

certain, however, that even if it

tried it did not succeed.

export of these commodities without plunging into inflation and a balanceof-payments crisis.

The Government will be helped, however, by the fact that Ceausescu apparently did succeed in paying off most of the country's debts.

Some of the new leaders are afraid that if they cannot stablize the food situation at a reasonable level, popular anger may turn against them. And demonstrators in Oradea, people in

Tehran (Reuter) - Dr Ali Akbar Velayati, the Iranian Foreign Minister, said President Rafsaniani supported Ceausescu's visit last month because of defence contracts. Ceansescu signed deals, worth billions of dollars, on technical assistance in return for Iranian gas and oil supplies.

Timisoara, and Mr Cyprian Dima, a member of the Committee of National Salvation in Brasov, all expressed concern because many black marketeers have joined the local committees of the provisional admin-

If there are economic disturbances, a fear exists that Romania's progress towards democracy could be checked. The chairman of the local Committee of National Salvation in one of the

that Romania had the ability to make nuclear weapons, but had refrained from doing so

out of concern for world peace.

Washington and London, gen-

Only a week before his fall.

Washington said it was ready

to sell Bucharest 16.4kg of

The US State Department

said Romania had promised

not to use it to make a bomb,

though American critics poin

highly enriched uranium.

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Western capitals, including

see a second wave of unrest". He added that, although he had good relations with the military, economic situation is a reason not wholly to trust the Army. Democracy in an inexperienced people, in a state of economic misery, risks turning into anarchy. This might possibly cause a

democratic growth". In that case, he said, the many local Securitate forces which did not fight back against the revolution but qui-etly placed themselves under the command of the Army might have a chance to come into their own again.

brutal intervention to put an end to

Justifying the Committee of National Salvation's failure to announce anything concrete concerning investigations and possible trials of Securitate personnel, one of its members said: "If I say 'No, we are not going to investigate them'. I can't predict the response of the crowd. And if I say 'Yes, they will be investigated', it means that all those who still have access to information could begin to prepare a counter-

For the moment, any intervention by former members of the Securitate seems remote, since the supply situation has greatly improved.

both suitable and sufficient. constructed partly under-

In Timisoara, meat is readily main cities fears that "we could well available in the shops. In lasi, the

ground. There was also con-

cern that 12.5 tons of heavy

water, sold by Norway to Bucharest in 1986 for use in

Romania's first nuclear power

plant at Cernavoda, in the

south-east, might have been

misused especially since the

plant has not begun

Delays, probably caused by

lack of expertise, prompted speculation that Bucharest

had sold the heavy water to

administration has distributed its stocks of coffee, which is selling freely at less than a sixth of its previous prohibitive blackmarket price of almost half an average monthly salary

This situation of greater availability of supplies is unlikely to last for long, particularly if people begin to horde, But Professor Doru Tigau, chairman of the local committee in Iasi, said he was confident the town could get through the winter without serious further shortages of basic foods. Furthermore, he claimed even to

have sent 140 wagonloads of food to other areas, and pointed out that people's expectations were not high, and that "things can hardly get worse than they were before".

Mr Carpani, director of the Comtim agro-industrial conglomerate in Timisoara, is also one of the men with the greatest responsibility for keeping the people fed.

As head of what is said to be the world's largest exporter of pork products, he will have to try to square the circle of distributing food at home without completely sacrificing exports. Mr Carpani says that he is confident that his foreign trading partners will show "patience and understanding" over the problems

British authorities were sat-

isfied that Moscow, keen to uphold the Nuclear Non-

Proliferation Treaty, had not

given muclear warbeads to

It was reported yesterday

that political prisoners had been forced to work in uranium

mines in Transylvania. How-

ever, the aim may have been to

provide fuel for the Cernavoda

power station, designed to run on eneuriched tranism.

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the Ceausescu dictatorship and took a prominent place in the new revolutionary Government, died of a stroke on Monday in Bucharest. A Foreign Ministry spokes-

man in Bucharest said Bogdan, aged 68, was taken ill at the Foreign Ministry on Monday and died later in hospital. Bogdan was regarded as Romania's premier diplomat. He served as ambassador to

the United States from 1967 to 1978 and held senior posts at the Foreign Ministry in Bucharest until dropping from view in 1982. By 1988, he was reported

under house arrest as a potential opponent to a corrupt and faltering system. Before then, he was believed

to have been the principal adviser on the United States to Ceaucescu.

Bogdan was posted in Washington at a time when US relations with Romania were far better than Washington's ties to other Warsaw Pact countries. He was given Cornelin Bogdan: Prominent much credit for cultivating the

relations, along with commercial and cultural exchanges.

envoy and former rebel

Bucharest loses its leading

time Romanian envoy to He served as a liaison when orbit. Ceausescu sought a visit by President Nixon, who arrived the most enthusiastic welcome of Mr Nixon's global

> Ceausescu was seeking to shore up his country's position with the US in the area of most-favoured-nation trade

> Bogdan's affable presence in the US served as an important



his efforts to steer an independent course within the Soviet

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The Romanian dictator became Washington's favourite in Bucharest in August 1969 to maverick within the Warsaw Pact, despite his disastrous internal policies and the conditions that drove his people to a desperate struggle for freedom.

It is unclear just what final straw drove Bogdan to turn against the old regime.

His dismissal from the Foreign Ministry, where he had been the director for Western Hemispheric affairs, came at a time when the Reagan Administration was angry with Ceausescu

At issue was a plan to impose a large education tax on those people allowed to leave Romania.

The tax reportedly was drawn up against the advice of the Foreign Ministry and over Bogdan's opposition.

After his release from house arrest early last year, Bogdan made his second appearance in Washington, as a visiting scholar at the Smithsonian Institution's Wilson Centre.

Securitate man found By Our Foreign Staff asylum, Mr Stefan Kaspar, a

suspected member of Romania's hated Securitate has been found dead in mysterious circumstances in vitzerland, while in Athens the Romanian Ambassador has denied that the station head of Securitate was murdered there and then his body smuggled out of the country.

A man who has not yet been publicly identified was found, apparently murdered, in a Berne hotel yesterday. He had earlier applied for political

police spokesman, said, addtold investigators that the man, aged 38, was linked with the Securitate. In Athens, macabre allega-

tions that Romanian Embassy guards there killed the Securitate station chief, then smuggled his body by car to Bucharest in a diplomatic bag, were denied yesterday by Mr Nicolae Ecobescu, the Romanian Ambassador, The report, in Eleftherotyp-

ia, an Athens daily, quoted Salvation.

and African sources in Athens. ing that several people had It said that the unnamed Securitate chief, who had been running the embassy after confining the ambassador to his living quarters in the bunker-like building was "executed" by "embassy.

staff" on December 22.

The newspaper claimed this had enabled Mr Ecobescu again to take charge of the embassy and proclaim its: allegiance to the pro-democracy Committee of National

Bulgarians take to streets in protest against Turkish religious rights

ans chanting anti-Turkish songs that date back to Ottoman rule demonstrated in this southern town yesterday against a decision to grant religious rights to local

Police with truncheons separated about 1,000 Bulgarians and ethnic Turks during the protest outside Communist Party headquarters. Shouts of "Bulgaria, Bulgaria" and "No to Turkish slavery" were answered with: "Give us our names

hock. We want our rights." Turks in the crowd outnumbered Bulgarians, who are angered that the Turks' religious rights and Muslim names are to be formally recognized.

About 10,000 Bulgarians held a similar protest on New Year's Day in this town which lies 160 miles south of the capital, Sofia, and about 600 Bulgarians in 120 cars have since been seen driving to Sofia where they were planning to besiege the National Assembly building.

Mr Stanko Todorov, the chairman of the National Assembly, told demonstrat-ing ethnic Turks in Sofia on Friday that in future "everybody in Bulgaria will be able to choose his name, religion and

Local Communist authorities in this predominantly Turkish town of 50,000 people decided on Saturday to defy the Central Committee's decision to over-

turn the previous leadership's policy of The Bulgarians, who complained that

forcibly assimilating ethnic Turks. they were not consulted, demanded a national referendum to decide the fate of the country's 1.5 million ethnic Turks, many of whom live in this mountain region close to the Turkish border.

Cars heading for the planned protest in Sofia drove with headlights on and bore Bulgarian banners. Participants said they would be joined by Bulgarians from other provinces who oppose the new Communist Party policy.

They said they would remain in Sofia until the Government accepted a petition setting out their demands. The

new Communist leadership headed by Mr Petur Miadenov, concerned at the damage to Bulgaria's image from its policy of forced assimilation, ruled last week that ethnic Turks and Bulgarian Moslems would be allowed religious freedom and the right to use their Muslim names.

Under Mr Todor Zhivkov, the former hardline President ethnic Turks were forced to assume Bulgarian names. About 300,000 fled to Turkey in mid-1989 after several people were said to have been killed during police suppression of peaceful protests.

Bulgarian television said that the Monday night protest in Kurdzhali had

prompted the party to send Mr Andrei Lukanov, a senior Politburo member, to

Mr Milcho Milchev, the party secretary in Kurdzhali, described the mood as nervous, adding: "There is strong politicization of the people,"

This position was taken without consulting public opinion here and came as a surprise. In this sensitive region it produced a problem," he said, The head of the town's theatre said he believed that if the authorities did not

solve the problem soon "they will have another Ulster here". • ISTANBUL: Ethnic Turks who emigrated to Turkey from Bulgaria last year

will be given back their homes and jobs if they return, an official at the Bulgarian consulate in this city promised yesterday

Mr Slavi Slavov, the consul, told a news conference: "Their property is still . there, it belongs to them. He added: "Everyone who lives in

Bulgaria will have equal rights." It was the first news conference at the consulate since 1985 when the Sofia Government implemented the forced assimilation policy.

Mr Slavov also said the new Bulgarian Government would declare an amnesty soon for those imprisoned for other than terrorist crimes.

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THE CHANGING FACE OF EUROPE

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From Anne McElvoy, East Berlin The East German Socialist from illness. ADN, the official where the couple would be re-Unity (communist) Party is to East German news agency, housed. lay off a substantial number of announced yesterday that the full-time party workers as a exclusive Wandlitz comrecognition of its shrinking role in the country's political the Politburo and leading talks yesterday with various functionaries, is to be turned In an interview with Neues by the Ministry of Health into Deutschland, the party daily, a sanitorium to accommodate country's round-table talks, in Herr Lothar Bisky, a member

of the standing committee

which replaced the Politburo

in December, said a "consid-

would govern the party's af-

fairs in the run-up to the May

Herr Bisky did not say how

many employees would lose

their jobs or whether they

would be redeployed outside

the party. Many functionaries,

previously responsible for pol-

icy and propaganda, have

been relieved of their posts in

recent weeks and will be

stripped of their party perks,

such as Western cars and

The special restaurant for

access to special restaurants.

Politburo members in the

farms owned by the party are

erably smaller apparatus'

chronic illness and stress. "Our aim is to take the first sition groups and the Liberal patients in February. By then

400 patients suffering from an attempt to stave off a split

to lay off staff as

power base shrinks

• Private talks: Herr Hans

small parties and opposition

groups, who make up the

in their ranks. Some oppo-

Democratic Party had com-

plained that the communist

party was assuming too

significant a role in the talks.

Herr Modrow said his Gov-

ernment wanted to hear

suggestions for change from

in creating a climate of mutual

regard we will find it difficult

to create the right climate for

free and democratic elections

• Police fall: East Germany's

Office for National Security,

which replaced the hated Stasi

secret police, will be dis-banded by June 20 (AFP reports). The many buildings

that are occupied by the

organization will be converted

for public use and placed at

the disposal of companies and

institutions as quickly as

in May," he said.

"If we do not succeed now

all organizations concerned.

Bonn - West German security officials are investigating a secret army", believed to be 300-strong, of East and West German communists who are said to have planned to carry out terrorist and sabotage attacks in West Germany in times of crisis, the Frankfurt public prosecutor's office said yesterday.

all previous residents will have moved out," said a spokesman for the Health Ministry.

These include Herr Erich communist party's rambling Honecker, the former leader, headquarters has been closed. and Frau Margot Honecker, Country homes and health his wife and former Education Minister, who are both still to be converted into hotels for under house arrest in the foreign visitors, or hostels for complex.

party members recuperating The spokesman did not say

Azerbaijani killed in Soviet bus ambush



Battle lines: Laundry airing in a neighbourhood of Yerevan, the Armenian capital, occupied

by Armenian refugees from the bitter conflict with the Muslims in neighbouring Azerbaijan.

By Our Foreign Staff

Tass reported.

The bus, escorted by police cadets, was shot at and stoned as it travelled through Armenian territory between the predominantly Azerbaijani towns of Agdam and Shusha, the official agency reported.

"The cadets opened fire in self-defence in response," Tass Perets said. went on. "Four citizens from the city of Stepanakert were injured, one of whom died." Tass said several other bus

ssengers were also injured After the bus arrived in Shusha, about 5,000 people gathered with the aim of travelling the three miles to Stepanakert to settle scores with the Armenians.

Tass said they were held back by Interior Ministry troops stationed in the region. Meanwhile, the Communist Party chief in the Azerbaijani town of Dzhaliabad is said to have been among 80 people injured in a clash between police and demonstrators

demanding his ejection from office, an official said. Mr Savili Perets, deputy director of the southern republic's official news agency Azerinform, said members of the Azerbaijani People's Front demonstrated in the town on Friday and Saturday.

They attacked the police

One person died and three is near the Iranian border and were injured when a bus full of the Caspian Sea The pro-Azerbaijanis was ambushed in testers struck Mr Kerula the southern Soviet region of Aliev, the highest-ranking of-Nagorno-Karabakh yesterday, ficial there, whom they acapparently by Armenians, cused of ignoring social and economic problems and whose removal they demanded. Mr Perets said. Mr Aliev had been taken to Baku for treatment.

One demonstrator had been shot, and more than 20 others and 60 policemen were injured by other means, Mr

People's Front activists claimed at the weekend that police in Dzhaliabad had Abad fired on a crowd of between 20,000 and 30,000 and a police car was set on fire. protesters and that police had shot and killed a man aged 19. Mr Perets denied that anyone

had been killed. Several protesters detained after the incident have been released, and a commission of the republic's Supreme Soviet legislature is investigating.

Mr Perets said the situation had since stabilized.

Quoting interior ministry sources, Tass said that mobs had gone on the rampage last Friday, attacking the offices of the local militia and party district committee.

According to a local journalist quoted by Tass, most of the people were demanding the electoral rules be rewritten in advance of local polls.

An Iranian newspaper, Kayhan, has reported that Azeri demonstrators on New Year'a Eve burnt several and regional party head- Soviet frontier posts while quarters in Dzhaliabad, which calling for Muslim unity.

Neo-Nazi attacks in East Germany

the official media yesterday.

The giant memorial to the Red Army in the Treptow Park in East Berlin has been repeatedly vandalized over now report such attacks, prethe past few days and smeared with fascist slogans.

Neues Deutschland reported that groups of skinheads and placed a large appeal in Neues neo-Nazis of all ages had Deutschland calling for united roamed the streets of Gera in action against extreme rightthe south of the country since wing tendencies. New Year's Eve desecrating

the Soviet graveyard there. attacks were reported yesterday with walls smeared with slogans such as: "We are back", "Hitler lives", and

right-wing Republican Party

The communist party, now discredited as a political force, giant swastikas painted on looks increasingly likely to buildings. Details also fight the elections on a strong emerged yesterday of neo- anti-fascist platform.

From Anne McElvoy, East Berlin A new year campaign of nazi attacks in the cathedral

attacks by neo-Nazis on grave- city of Erfurt on New Year's stones and memorials to the Eve. Local radio reported that victims of fascism has spread a group of youths ran riot in rapidly through East Ger- the crowd celebrating on the many, according to reports in cathedral square at midnight brandishing home-made weapons and waving West German flags.

East German newspapers viously suppressed, in detail. The communist party, to-The communist party daily gether with other anti-fascist groups in the country, has

> The West German extreme before the run-up to the May

WORLD ROUNDUP

Noriega talks envoy arrives

Monsignor Giacinto Berloco, a Vatican envoy, arrived in Panama City yesterday to help negotiate requests for the release of General Manuel Noriega, the deposed dictator, from his refuge in the Vatican mission there (Our Foreign Staff writes). A church official said it was up to the general to decide when to leave, but Vatican officials have said they were urging him to leave of his own accord.

Meanwhile, 19 of 20 US diplomats expelled from Managua in mealigation for a mistaken raid by US troops on

Managua in retaliation for a mistaken raid by US troops on the home of the Nicaraguan Ambassador to Panama City have returned to the US. The other diplomat had left the country earlier. The first 141 of 14,000 additional US troops sent to Panama for last month's invasion have also returned home, leaving more than 25,800 to continue a mop-up

Afghan 'coup attempt'

Kabul (AFP) — A group of Afghan generals, including the air defence chief, were arrested here last month for plotting a coup against President Najibullah, government sources here said. The plot, which resulted in 127 arrests including those of 11 generals, could further widen rifts within the ranks of the ruling People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan, said the sources, who refused to be identified. The air defence chief and the commanding general of a rocket base in the Karra district of Kabul, were among the arrested all Karra district of Kabul, were among the arrested, all members of the party's pro-military Khalq faction.

Cold spell claims 109

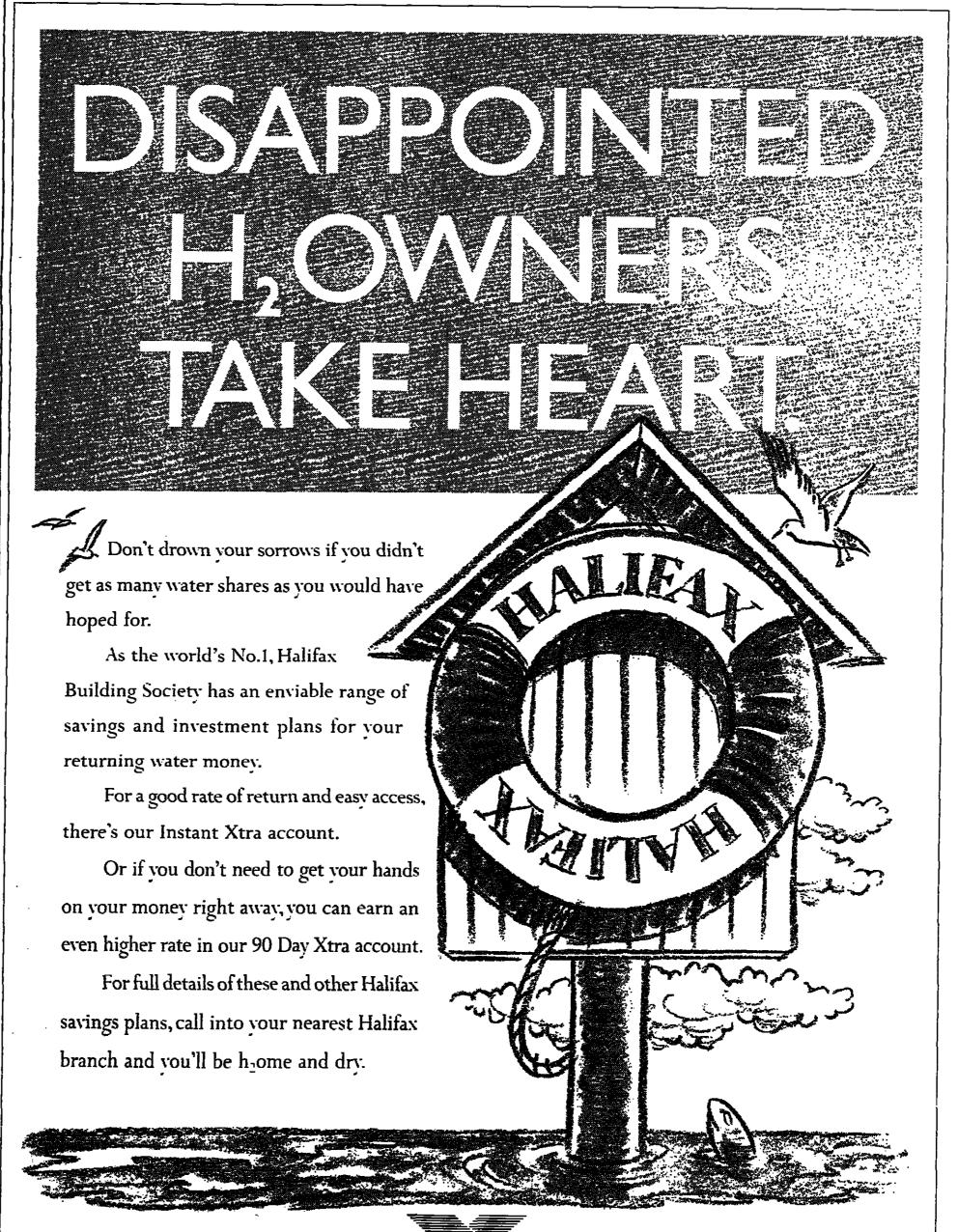
Delhi (AFP) — At least 109 people have died across northern India in a cold spell which has frozen mountain lakes, burst water pipes and hit transport services, news reports said yesterday. The Press Trust of India said the death toll in the cold wave had risen to 87 in eastern Bihar state, 17 in northern Uttar Pradesh and five in Western Gujarat. It gave no details of the deaths, but most are believed to be of homeless, who sleep in the open in cities and towns across the country including the capital. The temperature plunged

New triads threat

Peking (AFP) - War has been declared on Chinese triad crime syndicates which are making a comeback with gangs in Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan, the New China news agency reports. Dismantled by the police when the communists came to power in 1949, the syndicates have remerged in the southern province of Guangdong and in coastal provinces. A new campaign includes action against prostitution, pornography, trading in women and children, drugs, gambling and profiting from superstition.

Texas family boost

Austin, Texas (AP) - When Mr Ron Thompson sat down for lunch on New Year's Eve, he was the grandfather of five. At breakfast on Monday, he was a grandfather of nine. Three of his daughters, Mary Tolson, Joan Thompson and Carol Thompson, gave birth to four boys at Seton Medical Centre late on Sunday and early on Monday. The mothers and the four boys were in good condition on New Year's Day.



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Israelis accused of encouraging troop killings of civilians

report published today, accuses the Israeli Government of condoning, even actively encouraging, its troops to shoot Palestinian civilians in an effort to contain the

The human rights organization cites as evidence a pattern of certain killings of nnarmed Palestinians, inadequate investigation of abuses by the authorities, and guidelines "which might actually permit unjustifiable killing".

It says: "We are concerned that, taken together, these factors appear to add up to more than just tolerance of serious abuses, and amount to real encouragement of them."

Amnesty calls for an urgent review of the guidelines under which troops are permitted to open fire. It also says there should be a comprehensive judicial inquiry into what it tions committed by Israeli intifada began two years ago.

In an "alarmingly high number of instances", the report says, those shot do not appear to have been involved in life-threatening or even violent activities, and it ques-

flamboyant Science Minister,

agreed to leave the policy-

change for a decision by Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Prime

Sunday, when Mr Shamir sur-

nounced he would dismiss Mr

Weizman within 48 hours be-

cause of "direct and indirect

contacts with the PLO". Israel

considers the Palestine Libera-

tion Organization to be a

ened to split the fragile co-

alition between Mr Shamir's

right-wing Likud party and the

Mr Shamir's office with Mr

since November 1988.

terrorist group.

Minister, not to fire him.

Amnesty International, in a often children, have been shot, intifada were aged 18 or are a serious enough danger to justify the use of firearms.

The report accuses Israeli forces of hampering, sometimes withholding, emergency medical care to casualties.

More than 540 people have died during the intifada, the report says, with the use of force often excessive and indiscriminate. The guidelines regulating circumstances in which troops may open fire

soldiers shot and wounded at least nine Palestinians in the occupied territories yesterday and demolished the house in the West Bank of a resident suspected of killing a fellow

are said often to have been disregarded, it adds.

The guidelines "appear to permit the killing of people who are involved in activities which do not necessarily endanger life, or are suspected of having been involved in such military forces since the activities, or who are in fact at other youths. One bullet hit simply wearing masks", the report states. If this is so, it continues, the guidelines are hours later at incompatible with the 1979 pital in Haifa." United Nations Code of Conduct for Law Enforcement

About half the 540 unarmed in the same period, some after

inner Cabinet defuses crisis

From A Correspondent, Jerusalem

The latest Israeli political Weizman, a former RAF with Soviet scientists. The

Bush lets a little one get away



President Bush was after bigger fish when he threw back this small bass during a fishing trip to Montgomery. Alabama. He later lar

fishing trips, caught a six-pounder. President Bush had a bad press during sful run of sea-fishing trips, tial fishing battle, Mr Marlin Fitzwater, the White Hosse spokesman, told

urnalists aboard Air Force One, flying the presidential couple back to Washington, that they had had a friendly ent about who had bagged the eger fish. But, he added, the First Lady had clearly won. All the fish caught were,

Weizman agreement to quit US coalmine dispute nears end From Susan Ellicott, Washington

bitter and violent strike at Pittston employees. America's largest coal ex-porter, the United Mine Workers' Union and the Pittston Coal Company have reached a tentative agreement on a new contract.

The nine-month strike. reflecting a trend in US labour disputes, was not over wages but rather Pittston's decision to stop health and pension benefits for existing and retired miners. The issue is so emotive that, at one stage, 46,000 coalminers in 10 states stopped work to demonstrate their solidarity. Even a supportive delegation of Hungarians visited workers.

Strikers who telephoned the mion's headquarters in West Virginia cried when they heard the news. Mr Joel Phillips, a union spokesman. said: "We want to return to a

The local communities of split by the strike and upset by

In a step towards ending a tween strikers and other remuneration. "This is a vic- growing benefit costs and the

The settlement was hailed as a success, but the halt in work has dented the influence the union gained over the past 10 years which were practically free of strikes. Many operators of mines felt betrayed following the wildcat strikes by 46,000 workers.

The strike will continue until the contract is ratified by 1,700 miners and the firm's board of directors within 10 days. If ratified, the new contract would mark a firm break with the once-powerful union and could end national contract negotiating in the coal industry.

The strike erupted in April after Pittston said that it wanted to end its contributions to the union's health and pension schemes, to cut costs to stay competitive with for-she had helped the intense Mr Paul Douglas, the chair-eign coal producers. In the US, round-the-clock 62 days of man of Pittston, spoke of where health care is expensive negotiations by pledging to the Appalachian hills were without insurance, company appoint a special commission

tory for collective bargaining," said Mr William Usery, a federal mediator appointed last October by Mrs Elizabeth Hanford Dole, the Labour Secretary, to resolve the crisis.

Mr Usery said the Pittston negotiations were difficult because of the acrimony. His appointment, hailed by union officials and the head of Pittston as a "magical stroke", reflected a greater willingness by the Bush Administration to intervene in disputes than that of Mr Ronald Reagan. Mrs Dole said: "One of the

difficult issues in this dispute was the long-term security of the pension and health care year. benefits of the miners and of their families. But the issue is larger than this particular

Mrs Dole announced that health plans are considered a to study how the American sized that co-operation would part of a worker's coal industry might cope with be required.

deficits of some pension funds. The settlement will provide a key to the future role of the federal Government in protecting health care benefits Pittston workers in Virginia

and Kentucky had been working for 14 months without a contract before they went on strike. The company reported that it lost \$3.6 million (£2.23 million) in the first three months of the strike and a further \$9.8 million in the following three. This compared with profits of \$9 million and \$7.4 million in the same months of the previous

> Mr Richard Trumka, the union, described the tentative settlement as "a victory for the

"mutual achievement of mutual objectives", but empha-

China to let rebel Fang go into exile

From Jonathan Brande Hong Kong

Professor Fang Lizhi, the dissident Chinese astrophysicist, and his wife will be allowed to leave the People's Republic for Australia this month under a deal worked out between Peking and the United States,

yesterday.

Pai Shing, which is usually well informed on Chinese affairs, said that the couple's departure on January 27 was agreed during last month's much-criticized visit to China by Mr Brent Scowcroft, the US National Security Adviser.
The current affairs magazine reported it was estab-lished that the couple should leave for a country other than America and that the deal was settled about 10 days later during a visit to China by Mr Michael Costello, an Austra-

lian special envoy.
Professor Fang and his wife,
Miss Li Shuxian, also an
outspoken critic of the Chinese Government, took refuge in the US Embassy a few days after Chinese troops crushed the pro-democracy protests in Peking last June, and have remained there since.

The Chinese leadership has branded Professor Fang a traitor and counter-revolutionary, demanding that the US turn him over to the police. In the US, the couple have become a cause célèbre and the Bush Administration has said their plight must be resolved before relations with Peking can return to normal.

Although the couple's release would be seen in the US as helping the President's attempt to repair ties with China, observers say it would be a serious loss of face for Peking to let two of its most wanted dissidents slip though its fingers so publicly.

But the magazine said Mr Deng Xiaoping, the Chinese paramount leader, had approved the professor's exile to a third country provided he gave up all political activity once there. Pai Shing said Professor Fang had agreed not to take part in politics once he was in Australia



Professor Fang: Took refuge in US Embassy last June.

Greenland youth shot seven dead

Copenhagen (Reuter) - An unnamed student, aged 18, shot dead three men and four women, and wounded one man, in a New Year's Day rampage arising out of an argument in a club in the southern Greenland town of Narsaq, the Danish news agency, Ritzau, reported.

The youth had a row with the eight, went home, and returned to open fire on them with a semi-automatic rifle.

The survivor identified the youth and police found him sleeping at his mother's home in the town. Ritzan said he confessed to the shootings and was remanded in custody.

Coup charges

Addis Absha (Reuter) -Twenty-one military and police officers implicated in a coup attempt against President Mengistu of Ethiopia which lasted three days last May, have been charged with high treason.

Jet mishap

Linthicum, Maryland (AFP)

— Several of the 257 passengers were hurt as they left an airliner v hich had made an emergency landing at Baltimore-Washington international airport with smoke reported in the cockpit.

Kim offer snub Seoul (AFP) - South Korea dismissed as propaganda a proposal by President Kim of North Korea for talks about

the opening of borders and the subject of unimpeded travel between the two countries. Ugandans free Kampala (AP) - Uganda has released 336 prisoners of war, including 10 children. Only

about 600 of the thousands

arrested in rebel fighting since

1986 are still in custody. Climber dies

Kathmandu (Reuter) - George Curry, aged 35, an Australian climber, plunged to his death from the 23.494ft Mount Pumori, a Himalayan neighbour of Everest.

fighter pilot, said: "There is no ion of guilt here. Admission of guilt can be in court after a sentence is passed, and making inner Cabinet in ex-change for a decision by Mr He added: "It's a typical Middle East compromise."

Ainister, not to fire him.

Mr Yossi Ahimeir, an aide to Mr Shamir, said after the meeting: "There is no longer a prised the Cabinet and an- crisis." He declared: "A man who was once Defence Minister

and air force commander will no longer be in the inner Cabinet, with Labour's agreement...today it is clear to the Egyptians and the Americans - and anyone who wants to know - that the PLO is not a partner for negotiations."

left-of-centre Labour Party, that Mr Weizman would re- ers which are against Israeli which have ruled together tain his science portfolio and law. But he said on Monday he inner Cabinet "will be recon- from a PLO figure in Tunis The compromise resolution sidered after 18 months". came yesterday at a meeting in

Weizman. Afterwards, Mr Moscow today for meetings governmental officials.

Government since last summer, when Labour threatened to leave the Government after the Likud governing com-mittee added hardline con-ditions to the Israeli peace plan. The row was resolved when the Cabinet reaffirmed the plan, which calls for elections in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to select Palestinians to open talks with Israel on limited autonomy.

under, says the report. More

than 110 were under 16 and

some only three or four. The

report documents several spe-cific cases which, it says,

One incident occurred last

March 19 when Samer Aruri,

a boy aged 11, was playing football in the West Bank

village of Silat el-Harithiya.

A convoy of soldiers en-

tered the village, the report says, apparently to warn the

population that houses were

to be destroyed. "When they

saw the soldiers arriving, the

children ran to higher ground

to watch what was going on. It is not clear whether they also

threw stones. One soldier got

out of his vehicle and opened

fire, apparently without warn-

wounded in the neck and fell

to the ground. One of his

friends was injured in the legs.

The same soldier is then said

to have swung round and fired

17-year-old Numan Jaradat in the head. He died several

hours later at Rambam hos-

The report also notes that 130 Palestinians have been

killed by other Palestininans

"Samer Arari was fatally

or deliberate killing.

The two parties have been sparring of late over efforts by Mr James Baker, the US Secretary of State, to get Egyptian-mediated preliminary Mr Weizman has denied

Mr Ahimeir made it clear direct contacts with PLO leadsaid his removal from the had received a telephone call and that he had shared know-Mr Weizman leaves for ledge of the call with other

Sri Lankan guerrillas complete humiliation of Delhi peace-keeping force

Indian shame heightens as reluctant Tamil boy soldiers go home

From Christopher Thomas Madras

In a final mockery of India's entanglement in Sri Lanka, hundreds of captured Tamil boy soldiers — some only 14 years old are being returned to their parents by the Sri Lankan Army and the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam.

The boys have battled, if that is not an overstatement, for less than a month against the highly experienced Tigers. Most were forcibly recruited into an Indian-backed group, the Tamil National Army, to fight the Tigers. Most surrendered promptly or fled at the first

Many gave themselves up to Sri Lankan security forces after making their way out of the Tamildominated northern and eastern regions. Many also surrendered to the Tigers, who commandeered

From Michael McCarthy

A huge oil slick supposed to be

threatening the coast of Mo-

rocco with "ecological disast-

er" is non-existent, one of

Britain's leading maritime

pollution experts reported last

night after spending four hours flying over the area.

Dr Brian Dicks said that oil

from the crippled Iranian tanker, Kharg-5, which, it had

been reported, was about to engulf the fishing ports, tourist beaches and shellfish beds of the Moroccan Atlantic shore, was dispersing naturally and

He said there was "no sign

whatsoever" of the 175-mile-long mass of oil, whose alleged

threat to the coast prompted

call at the weekend for inter-

Dr Dicks, a marine biologist

aged 42, is a senior technical

adviser to the London-based

International Tanker Owners'

Pollution Federation, and

used to run an oil pollution

research centre in Wales.

national help.

their Indian-supplied weapons. A Tigers official said: "We are always glad when the Indians start handing out more weapons. It doesn't take long for the guns to start finding their way to us."

If there is one permanent legacy of the two-and-a-half-year Indian entanglement on the island, it is the glut of arms now at the disposal of warring Tamil groups. The timing and circumstances of

the final withdrawal of India's remaining 25,000 troops, con-ditionally due on March 31 under present plans, were discussed in talks between Sri Lankan and Indian officials in Delhi yesterday. Mr Ranjan Wijeratne, the Sri Lankan Foreign Minister, may fly to Delhi today if the talks show signs of progress. Sri Lanka would like the pull-out target brought forward unconditionally.

The defeat of the Tamil National

Army is being fully exploited by the Tigers for its undeniable propaganda potential. Their victory has reinforced their tremendous popularity among Tamils of the Northern and Eastern provinces. The Tigers are going out of their way to

Colombo ~ Sixteen Sinhalese members of the People's Liberation Front were killed by police in the central Kandy district in Sri Lanka yesterday, while Tamil National Army members were reported to have ransacked houses and killed civilians in Jaffna.

reassure the Sinhalese communities in Eastern province that they are safe. Even a few months ago the Tigers filled the Sinhalese with terror. That seems to have given way to a far more trusting

It remains to be seen whether the

new tolerance represents a fundamental change of approach towards non-Tamils in the region, or whether it is short-term expediency until the Indian forces leave.

Sinhalese leaders are optimistic that the Tigers may genuinely be turning into a more conciliatory organization. although there is still a good deal of nervousness.

India is bitterly resented by most Tamils for dragging large numbers of youths into uniform and giving them only rudimentary training before sending them off to fight a highly experienced and motivated guerrilla force. If 50,000 trained Indian soldiers could not crush the Tigers in two-and-a-half years and more than 1,000 Indians were killed in the attempt - it is hard to see how a much smaller group of youths was supposed to do the job. Scores have died. The toll of non-Tigers in the battle for the eastern

100. The security forces announced the release of 370 former Tamil National Army recruits to their parents this week. They had deserted and given themselves up to the military. The Tigers, too, released 150 young people to their parents in the Batticaloa region, the latest of several groups to be returned home.

Lieutenant-General Hamilton Wanasinghe, the Army Commander, promised government protection to those surrendering their arms and returning home. The Government would give protective custody to anybody requesting it. The Tigers, meanwhile, have put

up posters throughout the north and east warning Tamil National Army men to surrender or face

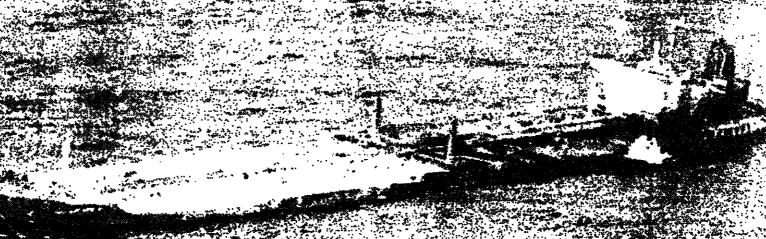
Indian troops have now pulled

in the north and Trincomalee in the north-east, and India has started talking, in Madras, directly to the Tigers for the first time in years to try to save the Indianbacked groups from a mauling once the Indian forces have left.

The Tigers have made it plain that their fight will continue until the Tamil National Army is disbanded and the other main Indianbacked organization, the Eelam People's Revolutionary Liberation Front, lays down its arms.

Sri Lanka has formally recognized the Tigers' newly created political party, the People's Front of Liberation Tigers. The move brought immediate and fierce protests from Indian-backed rival Tamil groups, which accused Colombo of giving arms, money, vehicles and passports to the

British pollution expert denies oil-slick risk to Morocco



the Moroccan Government to A tug taking Kharg-5, the crippled Iranian supertanker, away from the area that Morocco says has been polluted by 70,000 tonnes of oil from its cargo. craft on four 180-mile sweeps south of Rabat — the first run 15 miles offshore, the second 30 miles out, the third 45, and

the fourth 60. Dr Dicks told The Times to a couple of tonnes of oil Late yesterday, he spent afterwards: "We saw ver; "The largest patch was four hours in a Moroccan little oil. The huge slick which about 10 miles long but that

the coast is, in my opinion, non-existent.
"We saw a couple of fairly

large patches which are just sheen, but they didn't amount

patches of the 'chocolate oil breaks up - and there was cal catastrophe". no more than a few tonnes in

Dr Dicks dismissed a suggestion which was made at if there is a storm," Dr Dicks and that he thought at least the weekend by the celebrated said. "If there is no storm, half had evaporated, with the

navy Hercules transport air- was meant to be threatening was largely sheen as well, with occanographer, Commander there will be no coastal pollu-Jacques-Yves Cousteau, that tion at all. The threat has been mousse' left behind after the the shore was facing "ecologi- completely exaggerated."

"The worst I can see happening is some small amounts of oil coming ashore ber 19, was particularly light

international help.
"I think there have been

He said that oil from the

current

Dr Dicks said he found it "strange" that the Moroccans were continuing to ask for

rest breaking up in the water. Dr Dicks said the oil had been

in the ocean for more than a

fortnight, during which time three storms had buffeted the

He said that "every day that goes by probably lessens the

some alarmist statements and reports. I doubt if there will be any significant biological damage from this oil at all." He said it was his feeling that what now remained would be swept into mid-Atlantic by the Canary

Dr Dicks said that the tanker was now under tow 200 miles west of the Moroccan fishing port of Safi.

There is another Iranian tanker with her and they seem to be looking for better weatanker, which was abandoned oil off," he said. ther so that they can lighter the

after an explosion on Decem-Dr Dicks said that if there were no change in the assessment of risk in Morocco, be would return to Lundon soon.

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Raiders of the lost civilization

e need to know far more than we do about the Maya, Of all the mysterious civilizations which flourished in the Americas before the Europeans came, theirs was the greatest - and also the most tantalizing, because they alone developed the complete writing system which could enable researchers to gain a real insight into the outlook and motives of their silent generations.

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The Maya were architects. mathematicians and astronomers when Europe was still in the Dark Ages. We can still do little more than guess why their great cities, with their massive temples and pyramids, were abandoned to the jungle after their culture had flourished for nearly 3,000 years.

But the evidence is being destroyed today faster than it can be recorded. The civilization's monuments, preserved for 1,000 years because they were swallowed in the rain forests, are now being torn apart by an alliance between local grave-robbers and the international art market.

Only a handful of the hundreds of the known sites in remote areas of Guatemala can be protected by the 150 hard-pressed official fulltime guards. Many sites unknown to archaeology are only discovered after they have been rifled, their structures undermined, perishable items thrown aside, and marketable goods dispersed to the salerooms stripped of the evidence of provenance which gives them half their historic significance.

"If the destruction goes on at this rate for a few years longer, we'll never understand the Maya," says Chris Wenner, producer of a Channel Four Dispatches film about the trade, to be broadcast tonight. "The Guatemalan government is putting a remarkable effort into protecting its antiquities, compared to what other Central American countries are doing. But the rewards of the trade for poor villagers are so tempting that there is little hope of controlling it at that end."

For the first time, Wenner's report shows film of looters as they pursue their secret and dangerous work. Breaking into a temple which had previously been completely unknown, they dig a trench destructively through its foundations and wriggle into unstable cavities infested with snakes and scorpions, in search of jade, obsidian or pottery with writing or figures on it. The commercial

The art market is helping to destroy Mayan monuments - and our chances of gaining an insight into a mysterious people. George Hill reports

demand is for decorated pieces: plain pottery is cast aside, or sometimes embellished with forged idols and written glyphs, confusing the record still further.

Wenner's camera team travelled on foot through the unmapped pathways of the jungle with the grave-robbers, who know the terrain intimately because they earn a marginal legitimate living there, harvesting gum and tropical plants. The team also joined a party of armed guards in the same area, driving in pursuit of robbers along tracks which are impassable to vehicles for nine months of the year. By the time the guards had hacked their way to the scene of

the crime, the thieves had been gone for three days. "No-one has

filmed with the looters before, but we did not feel we were in serious dan-SAYS Wenner, who knows Guatemala well, as his father was a diplomat there. "We were told we'd never survive if we got close to them. But it depends on the people

> Some looters A grave-robber filmed at work

ready to kill, however. Ian Graan archaeologist who has made it his life's work to map the relics of Mayan society, once had an assistant shot dead beside him. But he continues to gather the evidence, often travelling alone in the jungle, and trying to piece together photographic records of the looted remains which are smuggied abroad.

But the film-makers were left with a sense that the looters themselves were not the main villains of the story. As one archaeologist says in the film: "You can't really say to them,

Look, even though your children are hungry, you shouldn't be out getting some money in whatever

way you can'.' A robber who is lucky enough to uncover a well-preserved ancient plate with writing on it may make \$200 or \$300 - more than he could hope to earn in months. By the time the plate goes under the hammer in New York, it is likely to fetch 20 times as much.

The scenes in the film where the robbers tear the tomb apart are not as shocking as those where smooth-voiced representatives of international auction-houses explain that the trade is an exercise not in pillage, but in rescue. Even

public museums today proudly display acquisitions which must recently have passed through black market. International

conventions de-

signed to control the trade, UNESCO convention of 1972, give only limited protection. "I believe the UNESCO treaty specifically defines that for items to be stolen they

would have to be from a museum or some kind of institution. and I don't believe sites are a part of that," says John Marion, a Sotheby's director, in the film.

"The great contribution of the market place has been to endow objects with monetary value, so that they have a chance of surviving, of being taken care of," the American dealer Andre Emmerich declares in the film.

Another spokesman of the market justifies the trade by citing the Judgment of Solomon: "The one who loves the baby best gets the baby - that means the one who will pay the most." If a Central

American country with limited resources "cannot properly pay for its national treasures, the rest of the world will take care of them as they should be cared for".

The implications of the market's operation are graphically displayed in the film. Monuments are shown brutally sawn apart. Far from "rescuing" the objects they find, the looters uncover them from the graves that have protected them for centuries, and throw away most of what they

The film shows a great stone stele which was cut away from a monument not long ago and then abandoned face upwards in the undergrowth, where the rain will eventually obliterate it if it is not saved. Sad as this remnant is, it gives a silent reply to one of the market's favourite sophistries, and also offers a scrap of hope for

Dealers often claim that the villagers will go on robbing graves whatever happens, and that when they buy the booty they are simply ensuring that it gets a secure home. In fact, the stele was probably discarded because international attitudes towards the theft of stone monuments have hardened in recent years. The robbers who had laboriously cut the stele from its place, and had begun to move it towards a road, realised that it was no longer marketable and dropped it where

ut no such change has occurred in the market for pottery and small items. Responding to demand, the robbers have accordingly begun to leave the surface of the temples alone. Instead, they began to dig into their interiors, doing far more

"Since the United States passed laws of its own against the trade in sculptured architectural materials, the bottom has fallen out of that market", says Wenner.

"That shows that action by an individual customer nation can have an effect. But most countries involved in the trade have not even signed the UNESCO convention. They include Britain, though there is evidence that London is a conduit for black market goods on their way elsewhere.

"Without a major change in attitudes at the receiving end, there is little hope of any real improvement."

Plunder, Dispatches, Channel Four,



History in ruins: Mayan stelea such as this, at the Tikal site, are cut up by robbers and end up in salerooms

most engaging family

uring the past 10 years, the Royal family has consistently increased the number of official engagements it has undertaken. According to the Court Circular, it now carries out double the number of engage

ments compared with 1980. The lion's share of this extra work has been accomplished by the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duchess of York and the Princess Royal. However, the Gloucesters and the Kents have nearly doubled their official workload. Princess Alexandra carried out 66 overseas engagements last year in addition to her UK

appointments. Statistics need to be treated with caution, none more so than those relating to Royal family engagements (see Letters, page 11). Each royal ement is unique, in the amount of time taken in briefing beforehand and then carrying it out on the day. For example, the Queen will spend part of the preceding day which will take all the following morning. All this counts as one engagement, while on the same morning the Princess Royal might fulfil three from the Duchy of Cornwall, and book, A Vision of Britain.

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The Royal Family's official

engagements have doubled in a decade — but is that the full story?

engagements in Ipswich. Official visits abroad imply a rest from the daily round of work. However, Prince Philip made nine speeches during his six-day visit to the United States and Canada last May. During her visit to Singapore and Malaysia, lasting two weeks, the Queen carried out 72 engagements and gave 37 audiences to leaders attending the Commonwealth Heads of

Government Meeting. The practice of equating the number of engagements with amounts received from the Civil List produces a misleading value-for-money league table. The Civil List is used to pay the salaries of staff and to defray the cost of official entertaining - such as state visits and garden parties. It is not a salary to members of the Royal family. Indeed, the Prince of Wales receives no Civil List payment. He keeps three-quarters of the income

A more intriguing exercise would be to discover how much money is raised for charity as a result of Royal encouragement of patronage. Royal holidays are not officially announced, so com- Lichtenstein - in 1989. ment on their duration is never parted from the disentertaining official out 15 engagements. guests and other important

does not mean that every day spent there is holiday. ork in connection with a book on the environment written by Prince Philip went unrecorded in the Court Circular, as did the Prince of Wales's television programme

The Duke of Gloucester attends meetings as a Trustee of the British Museum, and these also go unreported.

The Duke of York, as a naval lieutenant, and Prince the remainder going to the Soviet Union, Malta and

The Queen Mother carried misguided. The Queen is out the same number of gements last year as she patch boxes she receives each did 10 years ago. This day. With the Duke of Edin-remarkable performance inburgh, she is involved in the cluded a six-day tour of eastement of the royal es- ern Canada when she carried

duties. Just because they are at ally undertaken at the request Balmoral or Sandringham of others, and many more have to be refused than accepted. So from their increasing activity it can be fairly med that the Royal family is as popular as ever.

Tim O'Donovan

Edward, in regular employment, are not able to carry out a full programme of engagements. However, Prince Edward has taken on responsibilities for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme and other charities and made three official visits abroad - to the

Royal engagements are usu-

The author is a London insurance broker who has kept records of official royal engagements since 1979.

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their good news so as to lend parkle to our own rather lacklustre British new year. "This has been a great, great, great year for the Du Lallya," begins their Christ-mas printent. "Jeff and Mabel (yes, folks, that's as! Hi!) are happy to announce that they have settled all their interpersonal relationship difficuities and Jeff's leg will shortly be out of plaster. We would both like to pay tribute to our beautiful counsellor, ther was now Shree Ram Vishna Perkins, Who taught us that each of us BURS PURE has only six lives, and it is up to us not to waste a single one of them, even the first. We now count Shree as a valued mem-

ber of our family, and we know

that those of you who come to

will value the op portunity of chant-ing with us and Shree before meals, after television and to greet

"And so to our children. Charlene found that the boundaries imed by an academic environment are too restricting

on her wide range of hobbies and in

she has quit Slipshod City High to pursue her goals in television. She is now able to boast that she has watched all the Lucille Ball shows three times over, and can relate many of the more hilarious scenarios by heart and has

already built up a good work-ing knowledge of the early Mary Tyler Moore! "Andy has continued to enjoy his thrice weekly visits to Dr Herman S. Manster, the leading analyst, and he has taken to re-birth like a duck to water, his daily primal

screams acting as a valuable



New year, American style

spends much of his day rashing headng into doors with great gusto.

their original trau-

zean and Andy now

This year, we celebrate a marvelous new addition to our home with the arrival of Jeff's dear, dear more, grandmaw Du Lally, who

came to us in the fall after the mittee of Janitors at the Final Curtain Home suggested that her boundless sense of fun could be better catered for in the home environment, where she could enjoy round-theclock supervision. "Grandmaw is now a great

help around the house, taking care that half-full bottles are emptied at once, before ordering extra crates, staging impromta doorstep singsongs from the Gershwin songbook for our neighbours, Fred and Lindy Stoneyface, and even taking charge of the kitchen, glarm clock for those of us who producing good of homewish to rise at 3am! He has cooked dishes just like grandnow switched to Dr Kurt P. maw used to cook 'em, such as Willow an acknowledged ex- Char Broiled Salad and

pert at talking the Grandmaw's Gin and Bourbon patient through Son "Her hiccaps have greatly

mas as a spermato- improved recently, growing ger and less infrequent and her langhter can best be described as infectious . . . "Over the past year, Rick

has enjoyed the close friendship and abiding interest of many of America's leading literary figures, among them Normam Mailer himself. Norman plans to write a book about him, and has promised to invite him to a postpublication party when Rick comes up for parole early in

the funny side, and says if he hadn't acted as he had to those 15 innocent bystanders then he would never have made the acquaintance of Mr Mailer. Emmylou's marriage was

"Rick continues to look on

the highlight of our year. The reverend San Myung Moon

delivered a beautiful address. and with the aid of Jeff's bipoculars we were able to be pretty sure which one was Emmylon. After the ceremony she was introduced to her hasband, who appears very placid . . .



NIGEL WILLIAMSON

verworked MPs can look forward to a more leisurely 1990 with the reintroduction of pairing, I can exclusively reveal. The system was abolized the system was abolized to the system was aboliz ished by Labour after the 1983 election, when the large intake of new left-wing MPs felt that collaborating with Tories to get an evening off and miss a Commons vote was at odds with their class-warrior image. Seven years and many wasted late nights later, most MPs have come to realize that life is a lot easier with a little cross-party collaboration - as several old-timers on the Labour side who have discreetly maintained their pairs could have told them. One such is Andrew Faulds, who has paired for years with Norman Lamont, Chief Secretary to the Treasury. He is delighted by the Labour whips' change of heart, though he does not care for the way they slap three-line obligatory attendance on "every little bit of trivial business". Faulds is particularly aggreed because while pairing has not been officially recognized, he and colleagues with informal pairs have been continually marked down as absent without leave, which does not always go down well with

ne Labour MP who will continue to disdain pairing is Dennis Skinner. Soon after he arrived at Westminster in 1970, the Heath government staged a series of late-night votes on its family income supplement proposals. Before the first vote, Skinner was approached by a Tory MP who asked if he was "ready to go". Skinner replied: "If you want to go, then you go." Taking this as an agreement to pair, the Tory went home. Skinner stayed and voted, and the government majority fell by one. The same thing happened for the second vote. The next morning, Skinner was hauled up before Bob Mellish, Labour's formidable chief whip of the time, who accused him, among other things, of undermining the basis of parliamentary democracy. "I've not come here to pair with Tories," an unrepentant Skinner told him. "I've met your sort before," Mellish replied, "freshfaced newcomers who think they can buck the system. You'll be pairing like the rest of us within twelve months." Nearly 20 years later, Skinner has still never paired and last year recorded the highest attendance of any MP, beating even the whips on both sides for the number of times he trooped through the voting lobby.

BARRY FANTONI



'Ah, the Glorious First'

ne of the less successful parliamentary campaigns of 1989 was Labour MP Joe Ashton's attempt to have real ale served in the many bars of the Palace of Westminster. For the past year he has been trying to persuade the Commons catering committee and its chairman, Conservative MP Sir Charles Irving, that it is unacceptable that the nation's legislators (and political journalists) should have to drink in "the only pub in the West End which doesn't serve real ale". Unfortunately, Ashton says, the Westminster cellars have been hijacked to store fine French wines so that "the beautiful real beer of Britain cannot find a place in its own Parliament". He seemed to have accepted defeat when I spoke to him yesterday, consoling himself with the small victory of persuading the powers-that-be to stock Urquell Pilsner, a real ale from Czechoslovakia which comes in 1½ pint bottles. It's not for the MPs, who never touch anything stronger than mineral water, Ashton explains. But guests do like a good pint.

e have not heard the last of Professor Sir Alan Walters. The first draft of his book on the events which led to his resignation and that of Nigel Lawson will be delivered this week to Graham Mather, director of the Institute of Economic Affairs, which is due to publish it, in association with Collins, in April. Walters has also paid several visits to his former employer at 10 Downing Street and will probably see her again when he is in London next month for an international monetary conference organized by the IEA. Anxious to appear even-handed, the IEA has asked Sir Alan to chair the session on the globalization of finance. That on European monetary union has been left to Sam Brittan, a vigorous supporter of the former chancellor.

Barbara Amiel finds the evidence so unreliable as to be unjust

War crimes: a flimsy case

can protect the falsely accused the case against Walus was only by increasing the burden of proof. But in the anguish that said the US prosecutor, and the surrounds war crimes, the face-to-face identification of the accused by people who claim to have been their victims has a special weight.

Neil Sher, director of the US Office of Special Investigation (set up to investigate war criminals) was quoted in The Times recently as saying that key witnesses could accurately recall facts and sights because of the horror of their experiences. Evidence does not bear him out. In the late 1970s, 12 Polish Jews identified Frank Walus, a

Pole living in Chicago, as a vicious Nazi. "I will never forget that face," declared Josef Koenigsberg, who identified him as a particularly brutal Gestapo of ficer who had beaten up his father and shot Jews. The atrocities Koenigsberg had seen were real enough, but the face was not the same. After an investigation,

court recommended that Walus be compensated.

A recent book by Professor Willem Wagenaar, an authority on forensic identification, details the wide markin of error in human memory and in identification procedures. Wagenaar was a defence witness in the 1987-88 trial in Jerusalem of John Demjanjuk, a Cleveland factory worker found guilty of being the death camp guard nicknamed Ivan the Terrible. His book, Identifying Ivan, is in part a justification of his testimony, but its detailed review of the problems involved in identi-

fication techniques is important. In the cases of Demjanjuk and Walus, for example, identification was made more difficult by the way Jewish prisoners related to their Nazi torturers. Eye contact was dangerous because it could be provocative, so pris-

oners learned never to look their guards directly in the face. In addition, most guards and Gestapo officers always wore caps in the presence of prisoners. Factors like these have to be considered, along with the phys-ical changes which a man undergoes in 40 years or more, as well

as memory fluctuations. Such considerations are called estimator variables. To date, the only study of the specific esti-mator variables in the memories of death-camp survivors is one by Wagenaar and Groeneweg (1988). That study, based on the case of an NCO in a penal colony, suggests that memories are quite unreliable. For example, in 1984 a picture of the accused was shown to 55 witnesses who had suffered brutally under him in the camp; 41 witnesses (or 75 per cent) recognized him, but 14 did not. However, when those who had seen his face on television were discounted, the result was difonly 58 per cent. System variables, on the other

hand, are those related to the investigative procedure. What sort of photograph selection were the witnesses shown? Was the procedure in line with the Devlin recommendations that they be shown photographs that resemble the suspect, or did the suspect stand out as the only broad-faced Ukrainian? In a line-up, were they told that the suspect might not even be present? Were the foils chosen to resemble the suspect? What length of recognition time was allowed to witnesses? What was the false identification rate for a line-up in which the suspect was not present? In the case of John Demjanjuk, virtually every one of the Devlin recommendations for correct identification procedures was abrogated.

Many people believe that the moral issues relating to war crimes trials are simple. I think

they are quite complex. We may have to deal with accused men who genuinely believed the official Nazi view of the "Jewish menace" propagated by their superiors. Does this aggravate their crimes or mitigate them? Do we propose to hold people in a totalitarian state as responsible for their choices as those in a free state? If the men we are singling out for prosecution are distinguished by their brutality (no small accomplishment in the Third Reich, which was run by mass murderers), they must

have been psychopaths.
But psychopaths are distinguished by their inability to live within the law. What are we to make of the uneventful lives that people like John Demjanjuk have lived in the 45 years since the war? Are they rehabilitated? Cured? Even if this is so, how can those of us who believe that retribution is a part of justice come to terms with leaving them unpunished? For some of us, the imponderability of these questions, coupled with the evidence difficulties, leads to one conclusion: that these old Nazis have lost their power to harm us in every way except one, namely, in their ability to force us to twist and distort our system of justice in order to catch them.

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Make compassion compulsory

Continuing our series on reforms for the 1990s, Julia Neuberger

puts the case for an income tax surcharge that would go to charity

vidence is mounting that the tax cuts of the last 10 years have not engendered a more generous spirit among the taxpaying public. The theory that people with more disposable wealth would willingly increase their

donations to charity has taken

n his campaign to put sus-

pected Nazi war criminals on trial in Britain, Greville

Janner MP has been under-

standably emotional. Many of

his relatives died in the Baltic

states during the war, victims of the Final Solution. The difficulty

of prosecuting men in their

crimes that took place more than

45 years ago has not discouraged

Janner from his crusade, which

produced the decisive vote in

Parliament last month to allow

the trials. "I want these people to

get the fair trial my family never had," Janner said.

But can any jurisdiction give them a fair trial? Their convict-

ion will depend on two factors:

documentary evidence, largely

from the Soviet Union, and, eyewitness identification. Ques-

tions about the evidence from

the Soviet Union are manifest.

But perhaps more troubling still

are the difficulties with identi-

Human memory is fallible,

even about recent events. In

1976, after the false conviction

of a Bristol man for robbery and

wounding (solely on eyewitness evidence), the Devlin inquiry

tried to lay down rules for identification procedures. The

inquiry concluded that courts

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something of a knock. Britons give only £3-£4.5 billion a year in charity, with a large proportion of that given by a few major donors. Those in the age group 25-44, who have most benefited from the Thatcher years, have not nearly increased their giving in line with their increase in wealth; indeed, 17 per cent of them give nothing to charity at all. The average donation by the population as a whole is a mere £2 per month, a figure which compares extremely unfavourably with that in the United States. Only 2.7 per cent of Britons give between £40 and £500 a month, while 40 per cent

Payroll giving - the government scheme which encourage employees to authorize a given deduction from their salary has got off to a slow start, with only £8-£9 million a year coming in from approximately 130,000 scheme has been less than successful because it is not sufficiently well known (the Government gave a paltry £50,000 to publicize the campaign, and did not publish details of it from the Central Office of Information), but there is another reason why the

give £1 or less.

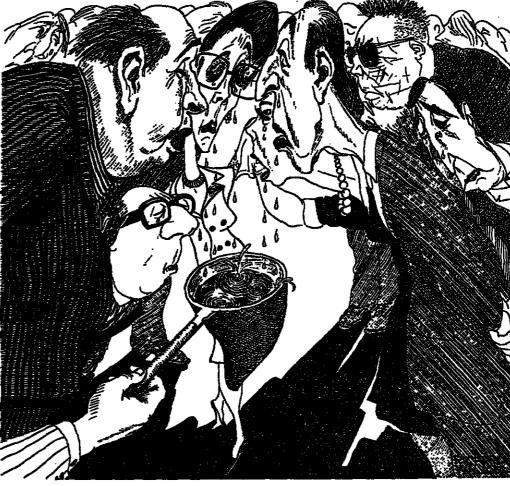
scheme is unsuccessful. Though we in Britain react magnificently to disaster appeals when our heart-strings are pulled and we see on television starving children or desperate conditions in refugee camps, we are less good at the day-to-day, planned charitable giving that is essential if many voluntary organizations and small associations are to keep going.

In recent years the British have not had a tradition of regular giving. However loath the Government may be to make anything compulsory, it should think again about the whole charitable scene, and realize that for charities to function properly, a quite different attitude to charitable giving must prevail.

Philanthropy has to be encouraged and admired. It must also become part of our culture. There is no point in exhorting people to give without offering advantages to the givers. Cov-enant schemes, by which charities receive the entire sum given, free of income tax, are only the beginning, as is payroll

o the reform I would most like to see in the 1990s is a charity tax, either as a 1 per cent addition to the standard rate of income tax, or a present tax revenues, introduced perhaps at a time when the tax rate would otherwise have

This would have distinct advantages. Taxpayers would for the first time be directly able to choose where at least part of their taxes goes. They could even choose not to direct their 1 per cent to charities, in which case it would go into normal tax rev-



enues. But most people would give it to charity, and they would be able to specify which one. Any registered charity would be eligible to benefit, and the the Charities Aid Foundation Grants Committee, in the way that money is distributed from the sale of the Post Office's

Meanwhile, the Charities Aid Foundation would be able to make a small handling charge for the service. This would be slightly more than cost-covering, to enable it to help those charities which are less popular

with the public, and are in consequence desperately needy. Some may argue that it goes against the spirit of charity to make it compulsory, but many religions have a legal entitlement to, say, 10 per cent or 2.5 per cent of income. The tithe for the maintenance of the Temple in the Biblical period and for the church in later Europe was not given voluntarily and received with effusive thanks; it was expected. Indeed, the Hebrew for what is normally translated as charity means social justice, a form of balancing up, rather than

voluntary giving. Germany still

has its Kirchensteuer or church tax, which goes to maintain the churches and to some of the church charities as well. Insistence on giving is not without

Of course, voluntary giving must continue. Those who already give more than 1 per cent of their tax bill would no doubt continue to do so, but a large number of people would be giving to charity on a regular and organized basis for the first time. And a 1 per cent additional tax could not be said to be punitive. Indeed, it would have advantages for the education of the

ities. The educational force of such a measure should not be underrated. Even if only a relatively small amount of individual income were taken up in this way, the principle would be established that giving is everybody's business, and that it is a normal part of living in a society like ours. It would make everyone realize that, whatever . provision is made by the welfare state, a great deal of support and answering of need takes place through the voluntary and charitable sectors, often without central or local government

any companies have accepted this argu-ment. The Per Cent Club consists of 268 national companies who give to charity either 0.5 per cent of their UK pre-tax profits or 1 per cent of their dividends. The trend is growing, with local Per Cent Clubs being established in Sheffield and the north-east. Companies do this for a variety of reasons, including the wish to set an example. They will not want to see this enforced by law. They would rather it were

But if companies are beginning to learn that this is the right way to behave, individuals are slow to follow. Although it may seem authoritarian, a charity tax should be introduced as an improvement for the

One per cent on top of basic rate tax would realize about £1.5 were to decide that this would be their only contribution, it would still mean vastly increased revenue for the charities, because it would bring in the 40 per cent of low givers. Far more people would thus be drawn into the web of giving. The charities would benefit, and so would society at large.

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Upheaval again on the path to free markets Rodney Lord on East Europe's problems in shaking off state control

Poland's signature of a letter of intent to the International Monetary Fund just before Christmas is the signal for a shower of gold to descend from all points of the compass. Apart from the \$725 million of bridging finance which the agreement will bring from the IMF, at least \$1 billion of longer-term development loans will be made available by the World Bank, another \$1 billion may come from the EC's proposed stabilization fund, and official debts will be re-scheduled by the Western government lenders in the "Paris Club".

cluding up to \$1 billion from West Germany, can also proceed. The money will certainly come in handy. Poland is effectively bankrupt. While the Poles have been careful to pay the interest on commercial bank loans more or less on time, the country has over many years frequently defaulted on its official debts. An infusion of hard currency will also help to tackle inflation, which is currently running at around 700 per cent (nobody is sure of the precise

Bilateral aid negotiations, in-

figure, and at this level perhaps it does not matter). Yet the money is no more than

an emergency transfusion. It will maintain economic life, but it will not bring economic health. That is a far more difficult operation. No one has ever converted a command economy into a market economy before. To do so requires the ability to return to first principles, and great political and managerial sophistication.

At its simplest, the problem facing all East European economies is the same: to abolish allocation by the state, and to allow prices to be determined by supply and demand. This is true not only in the market for goods and services, but also in the labour market (where wages must be allowed to vary), in the foreign exchanges (where there must be currency convertibility) and in the capital market (where the allocation of capital by bureaucrats must be superseded by commercial lending decisions at varying interest rates).

economic activity directed by the party, these notions are barely understood in most East European countries. Although Hungary has advanced furthest along the road towards liberalization, basic foods, fuel and clothing are still heavily subsidized. A bus ride of up to 10 miles in Budapest costs 5 forints, which is about 5p.

In the financial sector, some progress has been made. In the past, investment funds to industry were allocated by the National Bank in line with the latest economic plan. Now commercial banks compete for the business and are moving towards a more flexible interest rate structure to reflect varying risk. In principle, the National Bank now acts more like a Western-style central bank, but the financial bureaucracy is not finding it easy to adjust to new ways, and there is considerable tension between the two tiers. One of the most difficult concepts to embrace is bank-

After a generation or more of ruptcy. Hungarian law now makes provision for the banks to wind up companies, but they do not yet do so. The idea that enterprises can fail and employees be thrown out of work is politically uncomfortable, and suggests the need for a social security system to provide support which has previously come through the payroll of state-controlled industry. In Poland, where the new

Solidarity government has to swallow the medicine quickly so that recovery can begin, prices have rapidly been de-controlled. Rationing by price has in many instances already replaced rationing by queue.
Poland already has a private

sector in which the wage controls and overmanning that pervade the state sector can be avoided. In a few cases, state enterprises have made the system look foolish by contracting out nearly all their functions to reconstituted private companies, leaving only a few nightwatchmen to form the workers' council of the state-run shell. But generally, wage structures are inflexible and overmanning is endemic; and there is virtually no market in skills. The answer, the government

believes, is privatization. Krzy-

sztof Lis has been appointed Plenipotentiary for Ownership Changes, and is preparing an extensive programme of public flotations on the still-to-beestablished stock exchange. But the uncertainties facing investors make doubts over the flotation of, say, British Gas look trifling. Investors are uncertain not only about the application of the regulatory regime, but about the whole economic system.

With a more flexible labour market comes the need for a flexible tax system. Most East European countries have no personal income tax, all tax being levied on cuterprises. Where there is income tax, as in Hungary, it is at a low, flat rate, But variations in pay will make more desirable a progressive income tax and probably also a

would require a skilled new bureaucracy.

Company tax also needs reform. East European countries almost all levy taxes on turnover, eliminating the incentive to increase productivity: taxes should be levied instead on profit. But accounting skills are mostly rudimentary. At every turn the desire to move from one system to another is handicapped by lack of the infrastructure to service the new system. The IMF has discussed all

these issues, along with the harsh question of public spending with the Polish and Hungarian governments. Poland has agreed to make deep cuts in spending and to exert firm control over monetary expansion by raising real interest rates. Establishing the right macro-economic framework and providing capital resources are prerequisites of success in converting command economies into market economies, but they are not enough in themselves. The hard work is still to come. Without economic freedom, political freedom may prove a frail flower.

"I'm John Gielgud." I say. "I'm Paul Scofield," says Hugh Lloyd. Dinsdale Landen leans across the formica and strikes a raffish pose: "And I'm Edith Evans." Unblinkingly, the stage doorkeeper hands us the keys to our dressing rooms, which are all named after famous stars, and we shuffle on up for the matinée

My knees are killing me," I

"I'm glad to hear it," says Dinsdale. "So are mine. I had dinner with one of the country's top psychiatrists - or maybe she was a psychologist. Anyway she knew immediately what it was." I move a stage weight to keep my door ajar so that we can yell at each other down the corridor. Hugh lets Death in through the

pass door. "We all express tension through different parts of our bodies." I can hear familiar

Oh Gielgud, lend me your knees

rattling and wheezing. Dinsdale is spraying his hair silver. "With us it must be our knees."

"So it doesn't have anything to do with charging about like de-mented shrews for two and a half hours every night?" I ask.

Each actor takes a different route to the peak of preparedness. Hugh, who shares Paul Scofield with Death, now has only 35 minutes to transform himself into a walrus, a haddock, a goldfish or an under-cooked tortoise (depending on which critic's zoological ramblings you prefer). He scratches his stomach through his vest, lights a cigarette and telephones his wife to find out how things are going with Chester FC.

Peter Carlisle is already Death the butler, and he doesn't come act. He raises his eyebrows. "Last night a lady asked me how long I took to put on my make-up," he says ruefully. (He doesn't wear

any make-up.)

Dinsdale has now covered himself with toothpaste. He is not a careless dental hygienist. It makes his moustache ends stiff and bristly. And he smells fresh and zingy too.

"Neceyah!" he shouts to no one in particular, easing open his vocal chords and revving up his

I read a letter from a local policewoman, written on purple antique um looks on. In Hugh's



RHYS JONES

paper with orange floral trimmings, pick my teeth and change my socks. On the wall, a postcardzed colour photograph of Sir John Gielgud leaning against an

room there is no Paul Scofield, but on the back wall there is evidence that Rolf Harris has been in. In a spare moment, he has plastered up a mauve-and-peach vista of the Australian desert, or, wait a moment, per-haps that is Paul Scofield, leaning on a gum tree after an accident in a paint factory? We must get Robert Hughes in to give us an

opinion. I am jumping about in the corridor. A strong hint of spearmint fills the air. Dinsdale pops out of Edith Evans. "I used to do that sort of preparation," he says, "I'm just trying to get my knees

"Edith Evans used to sit on the

for half an hour." "She was on a percentage. She was counting the seats."

When I was in Arturo Ui I took pains to become Adolf Hitler. They banned me from the office after I stuck my desk in the middle of the room and launched a blitzkrieg on Rathbone Place. In Thark I play an idiot. I need less time to find my character. "Hook"

"Sah!' Dinsdale and Hugh find theirs. Dinsdale expounds a plan for buying up the few remaining tickets for the show and setting up as touts in King Street. Hugh gives me the ten bob note I have

to give him later on stage, so that I can give it to him later on stage, and lumbers off to start the play. With less than five minutes left, I decide to find my character if I

can remember where I put him.
I get my call, make a last attempt at a straight centre parting, drag on a coat which I will drag off again immediately I get on stage, and carefully lock John Gielgud behind me. (It plays havoc with quick changes, but hampers the burglars.)

Halfway up the prompt-side stairs. I stop. I go back to my dressing room, carefully unlock the door and get my hat. It's marvellous how one's characterization creeps up on one almost without one's being aware of it. I go back up the stairs and run around like a demented shrew for six hours or thereabouts. Then I go home at last and rest my aching knees.

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alks refosal". None of this is to deride the yearning for reace and reconciliation which is felt by local oliticians as much as by anyone. But it does "uggest that "politics" - broadly defined as such an issue would have led the Labour Party towards an election which it would assuredly have lost

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THE WEIZMAN AFFAIR

The latest quarrel in Israel's coalition Govern-

ment has been patched up by the usual

compromise. It has, however, resurrected a

wider issue which will not be so easily resolved.

Crisis threatened the left-right coalition on Sunday when Mr Yitzhak Shamir, Israel's

Prime Minister, sacked Mr Ezer Weizman, his

Science Minister. The charge was that Mr

Weizman, a hawk turned dove, had been

talking to Israel's enemy, the Palestine

Liberation Organization. All contact with the

detested PLO, still seen in Jerusalem as a

terrorist organization, was forbidden by law in

President Herzog offered to intervene as a

left/right fissure reopened in the Government.

But Mr Weizman himself proffered a deal. He

kept his science portfolio in the Government,

but resigned from the policy-making inner

Against the constantly shifting Middle-

Eastern backdrop, the incident itself will

probably soon be forgotten. By last night,

Government officials in Jerusalem were more

concerned with the report from Amnesty

International which is critical of Israel's

The episode none the less bears examination

at several levels. In terms of domestic politics.

for example, it has strengthened Mr Shamir's

own position. He has demonstrated his

authority as Prime Minister on what is an

While backing their Cabinet colleague Mr Weizman, the Labour Party's support was

constrained. To have opted out of the coalition

Government might have implied that the party

was in favour of developing contacts with the

PLO. Yet not only is Labour officially against

this - Israel's electorate would seem to be so.

have suggested that Israelis were fairly evenly

divided on whether Mr Weizman should be

sacked. As many as 70 per cent, however, opposed his contacts with the PLO. The

terrorist attack on a Jerusalem-Tel Aviv bus

last summer, in which 16 Israelis died,

hardened attitudes throughout the country. To

bring down the coalition at such a time and on

Opinion polls conducted since the weekend

Cabinet.

response to the intifada.

important point of principle.

As it is, Mr Shamir has prompted Labour leaders like Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin to re-state their opposition to the idea of treating with the PLO. This might not mean a change in their position. But by humbling the maverick Mr Weizman, exposing the current frailty of his friends and demonstrating the underlying unity of the Government (on this issue, at any rate), he has sent a powerful signal across the Atlantic.

The Israeli and Egyptian foreign ministers are due to have talks in Washington this month with Mr James Baker, the US Secretary of State. Near the top of the agenda when they meet will be the question of Palestinian representation in any discussions over the next stage of the peace process.

Mr Baker's five-point formula to help pave the way for elections in the occupied territories has itself caused divisions in Israel's Cabinet. While Labour has been in favour of going along with it, Mr Shamir and his Likud colleagues have been sceptical, and have not concealed their suspicions of indirect PLO involvement. Mr Shamir has now managed to underline his message that the PLO are not even on the short list.

This leaves the issue of Palestinian representation more difficult than ever. Israel is placing its faith in the emergence of a new Arab leadership on the West Bank. But it is difficult to envisage the emergence of any leaders who do not have the blessing of the PLO. Perhaps Jerusalem would settle for representatives who, while acceptable to Mr Yassir Arafat, would not feel beholden to him - and would not turn the West Bank and Gaza into more of a PLO enclave than they already

There are those who believe that at some stage Israel will have to accept some degree of PLO involvement, however indirect. The effect of the Weizman affair, however, must be to defer that prospect sine die. It has ruled out any imminent chance of compromise on one of the bigger obstacles to peace. In that respect, its impact will be a lasting one.

HOME AND DRIER

Today's statistics on drink and driving over the Christmas and new year holiday period are likely to provide further evidence that a substantial change in public attitude and behaviour has taken place in the past five or 10 years. It is a remarkable transformation, and many innocent people must have escaped death or serious injury as a result of it. It would be a great mistake, however, to conclude that the problem is therefore virtually solved. On the contrary new measures are justified to ensure that the trend continues in future years.

The evidence of a significant change in public attitude is corroborated by recent surveys which show a high degree of public approval for the introduction of random testing. Most chief police officers favour it; so does Mr Robert Atkins, the Minister for Roads and Traffic. There are some habitual drinking drivers who will never be persuaded to change their ways by appeals to conscience or the threat of public shame. For them, the introduction of random testing is likely to be the only effective deterrent. There is still time to put the legislation on the statute book by next Christmas, and the Government would do well to prepare it forthwith.

To a certain extent the proportion of motorists found by police roadside tests to be above the limit is a measure not of the degree to which motorists drink and drive but of the skill of the police at spotting them on the road once they have done so. An experienced traffic patrolman will have an expert's intuition for the subtle hesitations and irregularities which indicate the influence of drink on driving performance. The better he is at it, the higher will be his score, measured as the ratio of those over the limit to the total of those he has

stopped and tested. The national statistics are highly sensitive to police operational policy, therefore, and could even mask underlying trends of a different sort. They cannot be taken by themselves as scientific proof of a change in public behaviour. For instance any move in the direction of random breath testing, such as the device recently employed by some police forces of stopping vehicles for mechanical tests while looking out for the slightest indications of drink, will make the statistics even more difficult to interpret.

Truly random testing, which is still just outside the scope of police powers at present, would also produce a statistical distortion, for random testing would not eliminate the need for targeting; and the ratio of those stopped to those found to be at fault would still reflect targeting policy. The proportion of randomly tested motorists over the limit on a Saturday afternoon will inevitably be different from the proportion eight hours later.

At present police tactics on roadside breathtesting vary from region to region: there are some who try to maximize their visible impact as a sophisticated exercise in public education; some who merely seek, in the spirit of more traditional policing, to catch as many delinquent drink-drivers as possible. The power to conduct random tests would have a different effect on the statistics in each case.

It would certainly enhance the public education approach. But it must be less certain that existing police powers, properly used, really do allow many cases to slip through the net. It is virtually unheard of for a motorist to plead successfully in court that though he was found to be above the limit, the result of the test ought to be set aside because he had given no grounds for the minimum degree of suspicion which the law now requires.

None the less random testing would deal a mortal blow to the self-delusion of the driver who believes that he is able to disguise the quantity of alcohol he has taken by his ability to drive with his normal amount of skill. And it would be the appropriate one, for it is a well known consequence of drink that it induces over-confidence. The knowledge that he could be stopped and tested regardless of his performance, and regardless of his giving grounds for suspicion, would be a powerful

A KIND OF PEACE?

There is no end to the useful lessons of East Europe's liberation. Mr John Hume, of Northern Ireland's SDLP, asked in his new year message whether the Provisional IRA was now the only organization left in Europe which concluded, less hyperbolically, that any needed guns to achieve its objectives. He organization enjoying the support of "less than 5 per cent of the Irish people and which insists can justifiably be described as oppressors or dictators." To illustrate his point, the IRA killed a taxi driver and injured his 16-year-old daughter yesterday morning; the first death

It is, sadly, improbable that Mr Hume's to have to hav sustain, shelter and finance the handful of men and women who dole out so much death, disability and grief. But he is absolutely right to remind us that they enjoy neither mandate nor

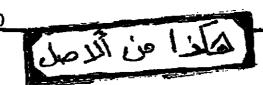
However right the general point, Mr Hume is as short as the rest of his political colleagues In the province on practical steps to achieve his r stated aim. The Bishop of Down and Connor resterday called for talks between politicians to sook for a settlement to the problem; it is mlikely to be heeded. One of the province's nagazines this week reproduces a headline which appeared before Christmas in The Irish Yews: "Hope raised by courtesy of Nicholson

society's organization — is carried on by other means than politicians. Or at least that the society has lost interest in province-wide politics and is concentrating on smaller, more easily achievable, schemes to order itself better. The business of securing society against entirely unaccountable paramilitary conspiracies is left to the police and army. That grim business only now becomes a subject for public discussion when the accountability of security force methods itself is an issue.

The twentieth anniversary last summer of the deployment of British troops on the streets of Northern Ireland passed in relative peace. One statistic of the year-end carries a small hope that a kind of peace may be returning. The 1989 total of deaths in Northern Ireland "caused by the security situation" fell to 62; for each of the previous two years it had been 93.

Too much can be made of such statistics. The total for 1986 was 61; since the signing of the Anglo-Irish Agreement in 1985, the death rate has risen. One atrocity can transform the

The Agreement, however well justified as long-term policy, was traumatically offensive to unionists. It was also alarming to the IRA, who correctly recognized that it signalled an agreement between Britain and Ireland that what they held in common - a long-term interest in the suffocation of the IRA - was more important than any short-term differences. If yesterday's death forms part of a still smaller total of deaths for the year just begun, it may show that the slow decline of violence is resuming.



earlier generations of Englishmen

books or films of backward coun-

would have known only from

The way in which this country is

being manoeuvred into taking

hundreds of thousands of Hong

Kong Chinese - the numbers will

grow as initial resistance is over-

come - thanks to lobbying by a

wealthy influential group with

City connections and ample

funds, symbolises for millions of

people what is being done to this

By giving expression to popular

misgivings, Norman Tebbit may be helping to avert much worse

longer-term consequences, even if

it is as at the cost of inconvenience

to his own career, in which he will

not be the first. He deserves

gratitude. Yours truly

December 29.

ALFRED SHERMAN,

10 Gerald Road, SW1.

From Dr F. David Skidmore

Sir, I have just completed a complex major operation on an

elderly English lady. I was assisted

in this team effort by four col-

leagues. My consultant an-aesthetist, originally from India, now has a son reading medicine at

Cambridge and a son and a

daughter at Leeds University

studying engineering and com-

My registrar from Nigeria has a

wife who is a solicitor in London.

My senior house officer comes

from Delhi, whence he will return

as an orthopaedic surgeon in a

university department. My house

officer was born in Hong Kong,

was at school in Britain and then

studied medicine at Guy's Hos-

There appears to be something

in the culture of the indigenous

British at the present moment

which makes them less interested

than was once the case in careers

in the health service. This situa-

tion is made more alarming by the

continuing decrease during the 90s

in the number of school-leavers,

by the greater emphasis on pre-

ventative health care and the

corresponding need to screen

more skilled personnel, and by the

fact that there will be more elderly

people in their late 70s and 80s

requiring nursing and medical

I am convinced that the im-

migration of Hong Kong residents to this country should be wel-comed and not feared. I would

urge all concerned with the train-

ing and staffing of professional

organisations to support the Gov-

ernment's declared policy to allow

designated families from Hong Kong to be provided with full

pital.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Slow wheels of justice

From Mr Godfrey C. Honnywill Sir, The Government claims that it gives high priority to maintaining law and order and upholding the high standard of British justice, but these claims are not consistent with its actions. By under-funding the whole legal system and exposing the profession to unequal commercial competition the Government is seriously undermining justice.

Both criminal and civil courts are subject to delays which 10 years ago were unthinkable, e.g., a letter written to Bromley County Court will almost certainly not be read for two months and may not be answered until a typist is available several weeks later still. In criminal cases, trials take place years after the event, while wrongly accused people suffer and the memories of witnesses in-evitably deteriorate. Justice delayed is justice denied.

Lawyers frequently have to wait 12 months or more to be paid legal aid fees due to them. Here shortage of staff to assess bills. itself due to under-funding, helps delay payments - to the obvious advantage of the Treasury and disadvantage of the legal pro-fession. While the Department of Trade and Industry encourages large companies to pay small ones promptly, why doesn't the Goverament pay the profession accordingly?

Provincial solicitors are being seriously weakened by the malaise in domestic conveyancing, brought about by high interest rates and the reaction to the Government's admitted misagement of the property market in March/July, 1988. I understand some solicitors who responded to the Lord Chancellor's request for bigger and more specialised firms are now among those suffering most. The Law Society is receiving a steady stream of requests from members in southern England for advice about what to do with their clients and practices if they go bankrupt.

The Government chooses this time to introduce the Courts and Legal Services Bill which will result in solicitors having to compete with banks and building societies for probate and conveyancing work. When David went out against Goliath he had five stones in his pouch, but most solicitors have no such ammusolutions have the sact at their bank managers on their backs!
Yours faithfully,
GODFREY C. HONNYWILL,

Buss Murton (Solicitors), The Priory, Tunbridge Wells,

December 22.

School budgets

From Mr G. R. Savory Sir. You report (December 28) concern that under the scheme for the local management of schools if budgets for teaching wages are set at average rather than real costs some teachers' jobs will be put at

The system would have further disadvantages; even where staffing levels were not reduced older staffs would mean less money for other things (e.g., books, sport, materials for science and technology); appointments committees might not select the best candidate for a post but prefer instead one who would cost less; and teachers would find increasing difficulty in moving jobs as they moved up the

Yours faithfully, G. R. SAVORY (Chairman of Governors, Brixton Church of England Primary School). 36 The Crescent,

Plymouth, Devon. December 28.

Littered software

From Mr Bob Cooper Sir, We hear much of the transgressions in town and village of the lager louts. In the countryside, it is the consumer of soft drinks the cola clot - who is the villain. In parts of the Lake District it is not just daffodils that "stretch in never-ending line" but Coke tins rattling and rusting in the breeze. Could not the manufacturers divert a fraction of their astronomical promotion budgets to persuade their customers to behave in a more socially responsible manner? Yours sincerely, BOB COOPER. Orchard Cottage, Prizer

Conveyancing services From the Director-General of the

Kendal, Cumbria.

Building Societies Association Sir, Mr Ewert Evans, Chairman of the Society of Licensed Conveyancers (December 29), suggests that without breaching restrictions on cross-subsidisation, banks, building societies and estate agents could not provide a cheaper conveyancing service without compromising consumer protection. It is surprising how quickly licensed conveyancers have become part of the establishment! It was only a few years ago that the Law Society used precisely the same arguments as to why the solicitors' conveyancing monopoly should not be breached.

Building societies, banks and other institutions have no wish to

Letters to the Editor should carry a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number (01)782 5046.

UK concessions on Hong Kong

From Mr Tim Rathbone, MP for and religious mob violence which Lewes (Conservative)

Sir, Many in Parliament and outside must be wondering why Mr Norman Tebbit challenges the commitment of the Conservative Party, of which he was once chairman, to control immigration particularly when Mr Hurd as Home Secretary (before becoming Foreign Secretary) and Mr Renton as Home Office minister in charge of immigration (before becoming Chief Whip) consistently applied the principle of strict control to very good effect. I am sure that Mr Waddington and his colleagues will continue to do so.

Surely a man of Mr Tebbit's experience and political canniness cannot misunderstand the whole point of the very special plan to offer the reassurance of right of residency in this country to a relatively small number of leading Hong Kong citizens in order to boost their confidence, so that they are more inclined to stay in Hong Kong, If they don't stay, then the likelihood of a vast wave of political refugees arriving here in 1997 and thereafter must be considerably increased.

On the other side of the Hong Kong border Mr Jiang Zemin, the ese communist chief, shows equal lack of enlightenment, and exacerbates the problem, by declaring no place in China for people disloyal to Marxist beliefs.

For both politicians, and their supporters, reactionary fervour seems to be the order of the day. What peculiar bedfellows they make; and what a contrast to the thrilling new, open-minded em-brace of political and economic reality in eastern central Europe in recent months. Maybe we have as much to learn from the emerging democracies as we have to teach them, in this new year.

Yours truly, TIM RATHBONE, House of Commons. January 1.

From Sir Alfred Sherman Sir, Sir David Lane (December 29) demonstrates the isolation enjoyed by members of his social milieu from conditions of life affecting most citizens by his claim that this country is successfully coping with the aftermath of the mass colonisation of our cities by the Third World.

All credit to those immigrants who have made a contribution including hapless Asian victims of African racism, who account for a few per cent. But most English people have suffered grievously from the influx. Neighbourhoods with large numbers of Afro-Caribbeans suffer levels of crime and insecurity previously unknown.

A two-million strong Muslim community is for the most part strongly infected by Khomeinism, as evinced by scenes of fanaticism

Sir. Your correspondent (Decem-

ber 30) may well be right that the

care of cathedrals should be

entrusted to local authorities, but

it is a step it would be unwise to

take until the Government of

these architecturally still well-

stocked islands is appointed by a

voting system proportionally rep-

resentative of the wishes of the

electorate. The last thing a medi-

eval cathedral wants are political

as well as structural ups and

Yours faithfully, ANDREW ANDERSON

(Surveyor to the Fabric

1 The Close, Norwich, Norfolk.

December 30.

parents?

children.

Yours faithfully

of St Albans Cathedral).

Children's needs

From Mrs Sarah Douglas-Pennant

Sir, In the current rush by employ-

ers and career-minded women to

obtain even more extensive child-

care facilities outside the home

little thought seems to be given to

The focus is all on the right of

the mother to get unencumbered

to the workplace. Yet does the

child not also have the right to be

brought up by his own mother, to

enjoy the security of family life

and the attention of his own

Making sure the children's

needs have been identified and

attended to must surely be the first

consideration in any debate on the

role of women with dependent

SARAH DOUGLAS-PENNANT,

cross-subsidise conveyancing, and

there is no possible commercial

advantage to them in so doing.

However, they wish to have power

to provide a conveyancing service

because they believe that many

consumers would prefer to obtain

a package of house-buying services

rather than have to use a number

Mr Ewert Evans rightly points

out that the creation of licensed

conveyancers had the effect of

reducing the price of domestic

conveyancing services. He has no

right to assume that the market

mechanism stops there and that

further competition, in the form of

qualified solicitors and licensed

conveyancers working directly for

lending institutions, will not fur-

ther improve the service to the

The Building Societies Association,

Yours faithfully,

Director-General

3 Savile Row, W1.

M. J. BOLEAT,

of different organisations.

Tisbury House, Tisbury,

Salisbury, Wiltshire.

the real needs of the children.

From Mr Andrew Anderson

Help for cathedrals Ambulance dispute

F. D. SKIDMÖRE.

109 Harley Street, W1.

Yours faithfully

December 29.

From Dr T. D. Griffiths Sir, For how long will Mr Clarke et al keep up the pretence that an adequate emergency ambulance service is being provided in the capital whilst the Government digs in for a prolonged dispute? I was today asked to assist a

neighbour suffering a probable myocardial infarction. The "ambulance" took 30 minutes to arrive, which was a remarkable achievement for the police crew who were off their patch, armed only with a road map. The facilities on board comprised a stretcher, without any restraining straps; no electro-cardiogram monitoring equipment, defibrillation equipment, intravenous cannulae, drugs, oxygen or intubation

I travelled in the ambulance to the hospital in case of an arrest, but would have been in no better position to deal with this than a member of the public trained in artificial respiration. Accompanying us was another neighbour, to give the police directions to the nearest hospital.

Lives are being put at risk whilst this Government refuses to settle the dispute by meeting the ambulance leaders. The return of a safe, efficient service should take priority over political posturing. Yours faithfully TIM GRIFFITHS (Senior House Officer), Hammersmith Hospital

Pregnancy Aids tests From Mr Peter Bowen-Simpkins

Ducane Road, W12.

and Dr J. Thomas Sir, A report (December 20) that one in two pregnant women were opposed to blood tests for Aids was based on interviews of patients in two ante-natal clinics in London. We have conducted an anonymous survey by means of a self-administered questionnaire in three ante-natal clinics in this bealth authority area and received 1,001 replies.

In contrast to the results in London we found that 98 per cent of our patients were in favour of testing and as many as 92.3 per cent wished to know the results.

The report that you have highlighted demonstrates the fallibility of single studies and a much larger survey of patients from all over the country must be carried out before meaningful conclusions can be drawn. Yours faithfully

P. BOWEN-SIMPKINS (Consultant obstetrician and gynaecologist),
J. THOMAS (Consultant in community medicine),

Sketty, Swansea, West Glamorgan.

Singleton Hospital

Lack of posts in foreign tongues

From Dr Peter Gold Sir, The National Council for Modern Languages has recently undertaken a survey of provision among some 25 universities for so-called "minority interest" languages in this country. We established that in the whole of Britain there are only 91/2 established posts in Slavonic languages other than Russian, and that 7½ of these are at one specialist centre of Soviet and East European studies.

Not only is this totally inadequate for our needs in the present European circumstances, but it will make it very difficult for British universities to meet the demand for specialists which industry, Government, the Diplomatic Service and higher education itself are likely to encounter as interest grows in Eastern Europe, It took a recent visit to the Soviet Union by the former Secretary of State for Education, Kenneth Baker, to stimulate a concern about the rundown state of Russian departments in this country.

The problem identified here is but the tip of an iceberg. The NCML study has confirmed that outside Western Europe the only languages for which provision can be said to be adequate are Arabic (51 established posts) Japanese (40) and Mandarin Chinese (34).

Elsewhere, particularly with regard to African languages, pro-vision is woefully insufficient to meet anything but the minimum requirements, and sometimes not even that. To take just two examples of countries recently in the news, there are no specialists anywhere in British universities in the Omotic languages spoken in Ethiopia, nor is there any specialist in Tagalog, the native language of the Philippines. We have just begun (several decades late) to realise the importance of language competence with regard to Western Europe. It would be timely to take action now in relation to other areas of the world.

Yours sincerely, PETER GOLD (Secretary, National Council for Modern Languages), Department of Business Studies and Languages, Sheffield City Polytechnic, Totley Hall Lane, Sheffield, South Yorkshire.

Royal Family duties

From Mr T. C. M. O'Donovan Sir, I have carried out a survey of the engagements by the Royal Family during 1989, as reported in

the Court Circular. 必可以即用 The Queen
Duke of Edinburgh
The Queen Mother
Princes of Wales
Princes of Wales
Dukes of York
Duches of York
Princes Edward
Princess Royal
Princess Murgaret
Princess Alice, Duch
of Gloucester

On official tours abroad the Queen carried out 104 engagements, the Duke of Edinburgh 267, the Queen Mother 15, the Prince of Wales 140, the Princess of Wales 62, the Duke of York 74, the Duchess of York 127, Prince Edward 27, the Princess Royal 282, Princess Margaret seven and Princess Alexandra 66. Yours faithfully.

T. C. M. O'DONOVAN. Mariners, The Avenue, Datchet, Berkshire. December 29.

Off the rails

From Mr A. L. Melvin Sir, On the morning of Christman Day, in a broadcast on Radio 4 from Bertin, an East Berliner explained how easily he had left his home in the East to visit friends in the West. He had taken public transport (the S-Bahn) and had suffered no delay at the Wall,

In London, by contrast, there was no service on the Underground or buses on Christmas Day. Another of the remarkable turn-arounds of 1989 is that it may now be rather easier to cross from East to West Berlin than it is to cross London. Yours faithfulk

ANDREW MÉLVIN. 269 Walmer Road, Will. December 29.

From Mr S. K. Drake Sir, I am baffled and bemused by British Rail's decision to run a Saturday train service on a normal working Wednesday (December 27, 1989). Perhaps some senior member at British Rail would care to enlighten disgruntled commuters as to the logic of the decision. Yours faithfully, S. K. DRAKE, 139 London Road, Copford, Colchester, Essex. December 28.

Safety cheques

From Mr John Knott Sir. May I offer this tip before you and your readers settle new year bills: go through your cheque books now, completing the date from "19" to 1990". Yours faithfully, JOHN KNOTT, Marlow House, Lloyds Avenue, EC3.

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COURT **CIRCULAR**

January 2: Mrs Robert de Pass has succeeded the Hon Mary Morrison as Lady in Waiting to The Queen. CLARENCE HOUSE

January 2: Ruth, Lady Fermoy, has succeeded the Lady Angela Oswald as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

Birthdays today

Brigadier Sir John Anstey, former president, National Savings Committee, 83; Mr David Ath-Committee, 83; Mr David Atherston, conductor, 46; Earl Baldwin of Bewelley, 52; Mr John Bamborough, former principal, Linacre College, Oxford, 69; Mr Michael Barratt, broadcaster, 62; Mr Victor Borge, pianist and comedian, 81; Sir Robin Butler, Secretary of the Cabinet, 52; Professor Sir Bryan Carsberg, director-general OFTEL, 51. Professor Sir Bryan Carsberg, director-general, OFTEL, 51; Lord Colyton, 88; Mr Fran Cotton, rugby player, 42; Sir Alastair Forbes, former president, Court of Appeal, Gibraltar, 82; Mr Richard Hanbury-Tenison, Lord Lieutenant of Gwent, 65; Sir Roy Harding, education consultant, 66; Sir Errington Keville, former chairman, General Council of British Shipping, 89; Miss Anya Lin. Shipping, 89; Miss Anya Lin-den, ballerina, 57; Sir Carol Mather, former MP, 71; Mr Siegmund Nissel, former member, Arnadeus Quartet, 68; Sir John Riddell, royal equarry, 56; Mr R.R. Steedman, architect, 61; Mr John Thaw, actor, 48; Mr David Vine, sports com-mentator, 54; Professor T.S.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Pietro Antonio Metastasio, poet, Rome, 1698; Robert Whitehead, inventor, Bohon-le-Moors, Lancs, 1823; Clement Attice, 1st Earl Attice, prime minister 1945-51, London, 1883; Herbert Morrison, Baron Morrison of Lam-beth, statesman, London, 1888; James Bridie, pseudonym of Osborne Mavor, dramatist, Glasgow, 1888; J.R.R. Tolkien, scholar and writer, Bloem-fontein, S Africa, 1892.

DEATHS: Josiah Wedgewood, potter, Burslem, Staffs, 1795; 'Rachel' (Elisa Felix), actress, Cannes, 1858; William Harrison Ainsworth, historical novelist, Amsworm, mistorical movenst, Reigate, Surrey, 1882; James Eiroy Flecker, poet, Davos, Switzerland, 1915; William Joyce, ("Lord Haw-Haw"), traitor, executed, London, 1946; Edwin Muir, writer, Cambridge,

Latest wills

Latest estates include (net, before tax paid): Mr Michael Joseph Orgill

Massey, of Barnt Green, Worc-estershire.....£418,587. radiation reveal how fast the polsar is spinning. Miss Mary Paramore, of Bournemouth, Dorset£333,559. scientific news over the past year: One pulsar, celled the pulsar's radiation. 1957+20, has helped to ex- S A Eales of the Space Mr Albert Edward Preece, of Ralph, of Birmingham£300,517. the story of the pulsar in the Mr James Graham Belsey, of Sevenoaks, Kent....... £966,696. remnant of 1987's supernova (SN1987A) in the Large Mag-Mrs Margaret Elspeth Graham, of Haslemere, Surrey. £392,556. ellanic Cloud, a galaxy next door to our own, only seems to

Sir Charles Smith

A Service of Thanksgiving for Sir Charles Smith-Ryland. KCVO, KSU, JP, will be held in Coventry Cathedral on Wednesday, January 31, at 12 noon. Those wishing to attend should please contact the Clerk of the Lieutenancy, PO Box 9, Shire Hall, Warwick, CV34 4RR; Tel: (0926) 412326. The 9.40 train from Euston to Coventry will be

Gala Gourmet Dinner

The second Gourmet Dinner in aid of the NSPCC and Birthright featuring wines of The Groupe-ment Des Premiers Grands Crus Classes de Saint-Emilion will take place at The Savoy, on January 22, 1990. Tickets, priced £175 are available from the NSPCC, tel 405 3344.

Forthcoming marriages | OBITUARIES

Mr R.P. Merrifield

Cobham, Surrey, and Emma, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Tigar, of Henstridge, Somerset.

The engagement is announced between Paul, eldest son of Mr

and Mrs S.J. Mills, of Wilstone, Hertfordshire, and Jennie, daughter of Mr and Mrs R.P. Thwaites, of Barford, Warwick.

Tissot, of Totteridge, North London, and Kate, younger daughter of His Honour Judge and Mrs Henry Palmer, of Chiswick, West London.

The engagement is announced between Charles Arthur, of Westleigh, Bideford, Devon, only son of the late Mr and Mrs

Charles Samphier, of St Albans, Herts, and Mary Anne, of

Otterion, Devon, only daughter of the late Mr and Mrs William

Johnson, of Lympstone, Devon.

Mr Allen Sanders, of Aylsham, Norfolk, and Michèle, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs David

Edwalton,

of

SCIENCE REPORT.

Pulsars puzzle experts

Strong radio signals usually

give pulsars away, but they

may emit other kinds of

radiation. In August, 1988,

visual-light counterpart to

1957+20 (Nature, vol. 334, pp.

504-506). This light does not

come from the pulsar, but

from the part of the companion

star heated most intensely by

S A Eales of the Space Tele-

scope Science Institute in Bal-

timore, Maryland, and collea-gues have published picares of 1957+20 in the infra+ed

waveband, in the January 1

issue of Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society

(vol. 242, pp. 17p-19p). Variations of the infra-red signal

from 1957+20 as it revolves

around its companion match

The research on 1957+20

whetted researchers' expecta-

tions for any pulsar that might

emerge from the SN1987A.

One was spotted on January

almost 2.000 times per second.

Ideas about how a star could

the pulsar, orbiting it as a disk spin so fast without dis- @ Nature-Tire Times News Service, 1989

The Royal College of GPs

faster than any other.

18, 1989, but vanished after "tuning" gravity wave detec-seven hours. It was rotating at tors to the right wavelength for

the visual-light observations.

Giant stars often end their of material. Angular mo-lives by exploding as super-mentum is transferred from

novae, and tiny, dense neutron the second star to the pulsar,

stars may be all that are left. so the pulsar spins faster at

Neutron stars that rotate on the expense of its neighbour.

Mr C.A. Samphier and Mrs M.A. Hollis

Mr N.C. Sanders and Miss M.S. Dean

Mr P.A.A. Mills and Miss J.B.M. Thwaites

Mr R.J.N.G. Butler-Stess and Miss S.J. Sainsbury The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr Butler-Sloss, of The Temple, London, and Sarah, daughter of Lord and Lady Sainsbury of

Mr D.H. Barber
and Miss C.J. Fairchild
The engagement is announced
between David Hilary, son of
Mr and Mrs Hilary Barber, of St
Briavels, Gloucestershire, and
Carol Jane, elder daughter of Mr
and Mrs Stanley Fairchild, of
Hong Kong, and Chelsea,
London.

Mr M.A.L. Birley
and Miss A.J. Blewett
The engagement is announced
between Michael, son of Mrs
R.A. Birley, of Knutsford,
Cheshire, and the late Mr T.L.
Birley, and Alison Jane, only
daughter of Mrs E.M. Blewett,
of Roehampton, London, and
the late Major General R.S.
Blewett.

Fit Lt M.J. Burt

and Mrs J.N. Thompson
The engagement is announced between Fit Lt Mike Burt RAF
Regiment, son of Mr and Mrs
Robert Burt, of Lordswood,
Kent, and Jane Nicola, widow of Fit Lt Jack Thompson, and only daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Brown, of The Todden, Balna-carron Avenue, St Andrews, formerly of Goring-by-Sea.

Mr R.F. Coales and Mrs C.C. Blackley
The engagement is announced het engagement is announced between Robin Coales, of West Rasen, Lincolnshire, and Cecily Blackley, née Stuart-Prince, of Belsize Park, London.

Mr N.J.F. Gay and Miss E.S. Macready Sellars The engagement is announced between Nicholas, only son of Mr and Mrs Keith Gay, of Berkhamsted, Herts, and Serena, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter M. Sellars, of Enfield,

Mr P.A. Goodwin and Ms K.H. Burgess The engagement is announced between Peter Anthony, only son of Mr C. Goodwin, of

Sleaford, Lincolnshire, and Mrs E. Turner, of Shoeburyness, Southend, and Kathryn Helen, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs P. Burgess, of North Ferriby, East Yorkshire.

their axes are called pulsars,

They are highly magnetized,

and with every rotation broad-

cast intense beams of radiation

across space. The intervals

between successive pulses of

Pulsars have made much

become more puzzling. Both

pulsars have rotation periods measurable in milliseconds.

It is hard to work out how a

pulsar gets the energy to

support this spin rate, but the

discovery of 1957+20 in May,

1988, (Nature vol. 333, pp. 237-239) furnished a few clues. 1957+20 is part of a two-star system, and further

work suggested that as the pulsar rotated, its radiation

erodes material from the other

This material falls towards

The following have passed The Royal College of General Practitioners' membership

star in the system.

short for "pulsating stars".

Mr T.G. Kelly and Miss A.T. Fontes and Miss S.M. Huntingford The engagement is announced between Timothy, younger son

The engagement is announced between John, younger son of Mr and Mrs Philip Silk, of of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Kelly, of Bishopsteignton, Devon, and Lavenham, Suffolk, and Susan, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs David Huntingford, of Cotleigh, Tamsin, younger daughter of Mr Peter Fontes, of Wraysbury and Mrs Christopher Clarke, of Bridgers Cottage, Hurstpier-point, Sussex.

Mr A. Tamlya and Miss K.A. Hopkinson Mr LH.H. Kissman and Christina Odescalchi The engagement is announced between Alexander, son of Mr and Mrs R. Tamlyn, of The engagement is announced between Ivan Henry Havelock, son of Mr Anthony Henry Ivor Kinsman, of 46 Marsham Court, Westminster, and the Cardiff, South Glamorgan, and Katherine, daughter of Mr Justice and Mrs J.E. Hopkinson, late Mrs Daphne Kinsman, and of Hong Kong. Christina Gabrielle, daughter of Prince and Princess Paul Odescalchi, of Lake House, Pittville Lawn, Cheltenham,

and Mrs A. Brett
The engagement is announced
between Hugh TempestRadford, of Pettaugh, Suffolk,
and Amanda Brett, of Fulham, mr R.F. Merrinean
and Miss E.S. Tigar
The engagement is announced
between Robert, son of Mr and
Mrs Peter Merrifield, of

Mr J.D. Van Duyne and Miss M.T. Jenkins The engagement is aunounced between Jon, only son of Mr Robert Van Duyne and the late Mrs Nancy Van Duyne, of Williamsburg, Virginia, USA, and Madeleine, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Jonathan Jenkins, of Sevenoaks, Kent.

Mr D.G. Waring
and Miss S.D. Colley
The engagement is announced
between David Gerald, elder
son of Mr and Mrs G.F. Waring,
of Chipsead, Surrey, and Sian Mr P.A. Robert-Tissot and Miss K.A. Palmer The engagement is announced between Philip, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Dennis Robert-Dorothy, second daughter of Mr and Mrs W.M. Colley, of West

> Mr J.C.S. Wood and Miss K.A. Biddle
> The engagement is anno between John, younger son of Wing Commander (Ret'd) and Mrs C.J.S. Wood, of Moorings Aldeburgh, Suffolk, and Katherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs D.E. Biddle, of River-side Farm, Creeting St Mary, Suffolk.

The engagement is announced between Neal, younger son of Mrs Edna Sanders and the late Sir Geoffrey Finsberg

and Mrs Y.E. Sarch
On January 2, quietly, in
London, Sir Geoffrey Finsberg,
MP, to Elizabeth (Yvonne)
Sarch.

general acceptance. It may be that the pulsar is kept from

further collapse by its sheer speed of rotation. Were it to slow down beyond a certain

point, it could collapse sudd-

enly to become a black hole. Peter F Michelson of Stan-

ford University in California

and Kent S Wood of the Naval

Research Laboratory in

Washington DC discuss that

possibility in the December 15

issue of *Monthly Notices* (vol.

This collapse would release

another kind of radiation -

gravity waves. There are plan

to build gravity wave detectors

but they would have to be extremely sensitive to detect

the gravitational radiation rel-

eased by stellar collapse. The

pulsar in SN1987A could have

collapsed already, of course, explaining why it has not been

But astronomers have been

watching SN1987A, and

Michelson and Wood suggest

that traces of gravity waves

could have been recorded in

their data. This information, if

it exists, will be vital for

Henry Gee

picking up stellar collapse.

seen since its discovery.

241, pp. 769-776).

DR GERHARD SCHRÖDER

Able west German politician who just failed to reach the highest posts

Dr Gerhard Schröder, who died on December 31, aged 79, was a Christian Democrat leader who held three key offices in several west German governments. He was Foreign Minister from 1961 to 1966 and Minister of Defence from that year until 1969.

Such was his distinction he was also a potential Chan-cellor, but the prize always cluded him, going in 1966 to Kurt-Georg Kiesinger, a Catholic from southern Germany. As a northern Protestant, he was constantly challenged by Franz-Josef Strauss, who controlled the powerful Bavarian, and mainly Catholic, wing of the Christian Democratic Party.

In 1969 Schröder was his party's candidate in elections as Head of State. He lost to the Social Democrat Gustav Heinemann, but only by six votes after there had been three ballots. He had also been Minister

of the Interior during the early formative days of the Federal Republic and after he stepped down from office he served as chairman of the Bundestag foreign affairs committtee until 1980 when he also ceased to be a Member of Parliament. As Minister of the Interior Schröder showed signs of authoritarianism that worried

many Germans. As Foreign Minister his performance was marred by the difficulty he felt getting on with the French at a time when it seemed particularly necessary for West Germany to do so. These were years when

Bonn's foreign policy was rigidly bound by the so-called Hallstein Doctrine aimed against East Germany and he was a fearless upholder of Bonn's loyalty to its Western

Above all, Schröder was the victim of his own public personality. Although in private he could be warm and enthusiastic, in public he was cool, aloof and isolated. He had indeed one of the best brains in west German politics, and knew it. He never made concessions to secondrate men around him, and often showed his scorn.

He built up no personal following, either with the public or in politics. While the northern wing of his party gave him loyalty and respect it was not encouraged to give him much more than that. Perhaps be never fitted completely into the German political scene, and tended to back lost causes with dogged persistence long after it was politically wise to do so.

His cool integrity and realism about west Germany's position in the world made and foreigners as well. Schröder was always

strongly in favour of British entry into the Common Market. As Foreign Minister he



started the first serious attempts of reconciliation with west Germany's eastern neighbours (later realised through the Ostpolitik of Herr Willy Brandt), but he precluded success in his own time by trying to ignore east Germany. Gerhard Schröder was born

on September 11, 1910, in Saarbrücken, the son of a railway official. He was a brilliant student although he had to keep changing schools as his father was moved about. He went on to study law at Königsberg and then for one year at Edinburgh, where he won a prize for a paper on the League of Nations, acquired a knowledge of English, and possibly began to form some of his rather British habits of dress and dapper style. He continued his studies at Bonn and Berlin, taking hs doctor's degree in 1933. He was an of his powers. The Interior Ministry was a assistant instructor at Bonn and worked for a firm of

solicitors in Berlin. Schröder's membership of the Nazi party at that time caused him a lot of trouble after the war, when he was accused of having been a stormtrooper. The facts were more reassuring. Unlike some of his colleagues, he was willing to admit he joined the party in order to go on in his

In 1938 he joined the socalled Confessing Church, which opposed Nazi interference in religious affairs. In 1941 he married the partly Jewish daughter of a Berlin banker, having been told by the army that if he did so he would get no further promotion. He was then out of the him, however, a reassuring party, and served throughout war as a lance-corporal. He was wounded on the Russian front and took part in the final battle for Berlin. His records confirm that he was not

Released from a prisonerof-war camp, he joined the Christian Democrat Party in Dusseldorf. After the party's first election campaign he became Minister of the In-terior of North Rhine-Westphalia. But soon he went back to private law practice and joined the boards of several

companies.
In 1950, encouraged by Konrad Adenauer, he won a seat in the Federal Bundestag. In 1953 he became Minister of the Interior staying in the post till 1961. Schröder owed his early advancement largely to Adenauer who was much impressed by his ability. He became known as the Chancellor's protégé, which did not help him with colleagues but ensured his political prosperity for as long as the old Rhinelander was at the height

particularly hot seat at the ime. West Germany was trying to nurture its infant democracy, he championed the banning of the Communist Party, which may not have been wise or necessary. He also identified himself

closely with the early draft laws designed to give the government special powers in times of emergency - replac-ing the special powers of the Allied forces. These drafts were widely felt to be far too authoritarian and a threat to civil liberties. They were vigorously opposed by the trade unions and the Social Democrats and were never passed.

Schröder also went through a crisis in 1954, when his Ministry claimed that Otto John, then head of the Office claimed he had defected. He was, however, quickly

approved of by the Nazi party. reconciled with the Social and valuable.

Democrats when he became Foreign Minister in 1961, succeeding von Brentano.
Bonn at that time was dividing into so-called "Atlanticists" and "Gaullists" and Schröder found himself leading the "Atlanticists" and ing the "Atlanticists", who were backed by the Social Democrats, against the "Gaullists" in his own party, who were led by Strauss, then Minister of Defence. By this time he was also at odds with Adenauer who treasured rela-

tions with France. West German foreign policy was often in a state of crisis. President Kennedy's efforts to teach understanding with Moscow were causing dismay among those west Germans who still believed there should be no relaxation in central Europe on the basis of a divided Germany.

Amid all the acrimony and confusion Schröder remained cool and clear-headed. He saw that west Germany's security depended on the United States, and had little patience with France, or with Germans who believed France could offer something better than

Washington. When Strauss had to leave the Cabinet following the scandal in 1961 over the Spiegel affair it seemed that Schröder's path to the top might be easier, but Ludwig Erhard succeeded Adenauer as Chancellor in 1963.

Relations with France grew worse and eventually De Gauile was more or less demanding the removal of Schröder as a precondition of any progress. Erbard loyally defended his minister for a time, and in doing so perhaps hastened his own downfall.

When the door to the Chancellorship at last seemed open in 1966, after the collapse of Erhard's coalition, be did gain a substantial number of votes but he was beaten into second place by the well-mobilized forces of his old rival, Strauss, who pressed the Kiesinger candidacy. Schröder reluctantly took over the Defence Ministry which, among its other difficulties, was due to face the implications of changing Nato strategy and budgetary cuts. Schröder ran into a fierce battle with Kiesinger in an attempt to prevent cuts in the west German

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forces. During his years as chairman of the Bundestag foreign affairs committee Schröder travelled widely, including visiting Peking and meeting the Palestine Liberation Organisation leaders. He was among the first major figures pushing for Bonn to recognise Communist China

Schröder will be remem-Constitution, had been kid- his own rather lonely path napped whereas others with dignity and honesty. He brought to west German politics a cool style that was rare

JOSEPH HARDSTAFF

England run-getter of grace and poise

Joseph Hardstaff, who died in Worksop on January 1, aged 78, was an elegant and stylish batsman for Nottinghamshire and England, whose place in cricket history would undoubtedly be larger if he had not lost six seasons to the second world war.

By 1939 Hardstaff had emerged as the best English batsman of his own generation. It spanned the gap between those like Hammond and Leyland, nearing the end of their careers, and the newcomers like Hutton, Compton and Edrich, who would be young enough to remain at their best after the war.

Hardstaff did rescue England from a poor start with an innings of 205 not out in 1946 against India at Lord's in the first Test match in England after hostilities ceased. This, however, proved to be his last notable feat at international level, though there were always those who felt that the selectors in that era turned their backs on him too soon. Hardstaff continued to score heavily for his county - and certainly his batting never lost its grace and poise - before he finally retired in 1955.

Hardstaff was born on July



3, 1911, in Nuncargate and in his early days, particularly,

From early schooldays Hardstaff junior showed a natural ability and inevitably amid such a family environment he received every help. He was only 16 when he was taken on to the Trent Bridge staff; he went on to gain his county cap in 1931 and made the first of his 23 appearances disclosed that he declared at CCC.

was always known as "Young Joe" to differentiate him from his father, another Joseph Hardstaff, who also played for Nottinghamshire and England and became an umpire.

for England in 1935 against 903 for seven only when he South Africa.

Hardstaff's run scoring feats were always impressive but the figures fail to convey the artistry and perfect timing Hardstaff made three tours which made him such a to Australia, being an delight to watch. Slim and fair-haired, he stood more bat handle and his offside strokes, especially, were a joy. Nimble footwork and strong wrists enabled him to place the ball with great certainty and as befitted one reared as a youngster in the Nottinghamshire nets against Larwood and Voce, he looked happiest against fast bowling. He was a fine deep fieldsman, always capless.

In the closing three summers before the war Hardstaff played regularly for England. At the Oval in 1938 he shared a record sixth wicket partnership of 215 for the sixth wicket with Hutton as the Yorkshireman made his famous 364 in what was a timeless Test. Hardstaff in some quarters was criticized for scoring too slowly but Hammond, the

was certain that Bradman and Fingleton, both injured while fielding, would be unable to bal

Hardstaff made three tours outstanding success with an MCC "A" team which visited upright at the crease than there in 1935-36 but doing less most, with hands high on the well on the Test match tours in 1936-37 and 1946-47. He also toured West Indies with MCC in 1947-48 and India with Lord Tennyson's team in 1937-38 and coached and played in New Zealand.

In first-class cricket Hardstaff scored 31,847 runs and averaged 44.35 with 83 centuries, including ten double hundreds. His most successful season was 1937 when he scored 2,540 runs, including a century in 51 minutes against Kent which brought him the Lawrence Trophy for the fastest century of the year. In Tests he scored 1,636 runs, average 46.74, with four centuries.

Hardstaff, a widower, is survived by a daughter and two sons, one of whom, another Joseph Hardstaff,

MADOLINE THOMAS

Barry schoolteacher, and it after appearing for Sir Peter from the Vienna Woods, a was his death in 1942, leaving Saunders in Fly Away Peter in contract which she completed was his death in 1942, leaving her an impoverished widow of 52, which that made her determine to attempt a professional career. She was given her first

chance on tour by Emlyn Williams, who was so im-pressed by her performance that he later wrote a role specially for her in one of the most memorable British films ever made, The Last Days of Dolwyn, with Richard Burton and Edith Evans. She also appeared with Tommy Trinder in the film, Champagne Charlie, and made her West End debut at the Prince's Theatre in March, 1945, as Evelyn Laye's firm-minded chaperone, Mrs Evan Evans,

She became known almost immediately as one of the atre as a merrily murderous most dependable actresses in

in Three Waltzes.

1947, he was happy to cast her again as Mrs Boyle, the for-midable Justice of the Peace, in The Mousetrap.

In 1963, she joined the Royal Shakespeare Company at Stratford-upon-Avon, remaining there for six seasons, and giving memorable performances under the direc-tion of Trevor Nunn, Clifford Williams and Sir Peter Hall Among her best Stratford roles were Emilia in The Comedy of Errors, Katherina in Marlowe's The Jew of Malia, Lady Northumberland in Henry IV. Queen Isabel of France in Henry V. and the witch, still continued to accept tele-Margery Jourdain, in Henry

When she was aged 87 she appeared at the National Thegrandmother in Maximilian

contract which she completed even after being knocked down by a motor cycle in Regent Street and breaking her hip.

At 92 she was still on stage at the National in Chekhov's Uncle Vanya. It was during this production that Sir Peter Hall was horrified to discover that she was walking two miles every day from her flat to the theatre, and promptly provided her with a taxi.

Even after breaking her other hip, and reluctantly settling into semi-retirement at Weston-super-Mare, she vision roles, making her final appearance at the age of 97 in the BBC film, Caring, in which she appeared with Emlyn Williams, who had initiated her career.

She is survived by her son.







Madoline Thomas, one of Britain's most acclaimed character actresses for almost super-Mare General Hospital on December 30, three days short of her 100th birthday. A woman of strong and

indomitable character, she never sought to become a star, but the rich warmth and humanity of her Welsh upbringing illuminated a long series of important roles on stage and screen. Born Madoline Mary Price

in Abergavenny on January 2, 1890, she was the daughter of a Welsh draper. Educated privately in Bristol, she trained as a singer, pianist and organist, and appeared in amateur stage productions in Barry and Penarth, and also in radio plays broadcast by the BBC from Cardiff.

In 1919 she married John William Halliday Thomas, a the London theatre. Hence. Schell's production of Tales

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DEATHS

ASTRL - On New Years Day at home Mary Ursula Astili

(0978) 251764.

BICRIMELL - On January 1st, 1990. Seacefully at the Chelstone Nursing Home, Honorary Alderman Bessle Bicknell. O.B.E. J.P., O.St.J., Freeman of the Borough of Bournemouth, aged 79, beloved wife of the isse Keith Bicknell and dearest sister of Mabel Henderson. Civic Funeral Service Trursday 11th January 3.15pm at St Michael's Church, Poole Road, Bournemouth, cremation following, Family flowers only please but donations for the Bicknell School

tions for the Bicknell School may be sent to Deric-Scott, Portman Lodge Funeral Home, Bournemouth,

BHLING - On January 2nd 1990 at Robinsmead, Finchampstead, Berks, Gertrude Heap aged 97, widow of Edward a beloved physician and dearly loved by her family and many friends. Private crematori-um. No flowers by her request.

BRIGES - On December 31st peacefully at home James Jerram Briggs born 1902. Funeral service at Pulney Vale Crematorium on

vare Crematorium on wednesday January 10th at 5 pm. No flowers please but donations to King George's Fund for Sallors 01-235 2884.

BROWN - On December 24th

Printon-on-Sea. Norman Francis aged 67 years. Much loved and sadity missed by his family and friends. Funeral Service on Wednesday January 10th at Weeley crematorium at 245 pm.

crematorium at 2.45 pm. Flowers may be sent to P G Oxley Ltd. 47 High street. Watton-on-the-Naze, Essex.

UNNAGE - On December

30th peacefully in his 91st year William Watter M.B.E. (Lale Ministry of Works), dearly beloved husband and father. Resting at D.J. Evans Force & Co. Whitchurch

ADARS - On March 14th 1989, at Raston, Virginia, to Kathy (nie Billings) and Timothy, a dausphier, Couner Amanda, a sister for Devon. Amanda, a sister for Devon.
New year greetings from
Grandad & Nana.

9ALDWIN - On December
22nd 1989, to Michele une
Deeks) and Mark, a daughter, Holly Michele, a sister
for Jamle, Thanks to all staff
af Pembury Hospital.

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1989 to Lesley and Michael,
a son. Andrew Michael,
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France, at Diswich Mospital.

ENYSON - On December 18th.

1989 to Mary (née Crowley)
and Andrew. a daughter Carotine Etizabeth.

SULL - On December 50th to
Auriel (née Mellon) and
Sebastian. a son William
Justin Freeland.

Guys Hospital to Mary (Née Burges) and Andrew, a daughter Sarah Anne, a sister for John and Claire.

CAMA - On December 30th, in Singapore, to Jo and Jeremy, a daughter, Elizabeth Frances, a sister for Alexander and Emily.

Alexander and Emily.

GAPPER On December 27th to Jenifer and Julian. a son Crispian. Charles, Ord a brother for Simon, Mark, Miranda and Peter.

GBURS - On December 31st 1989 to Cassandra (Jardine) and William. a son, Oliver Octavius.

BURMAS - On December 16th to Adele (née Rees) and Junes, a daughter. Jessica Hope. James, a daughter. Jessica Hope. EMARY - On January 1st in Manuary New Zealand to

Wellington. New Zealand to Victoria and Richard, 8 son. Oliver Jethro Russell. FARRE - On December 31st to Ginny (née Bullard) and Henry: a son James.

Henry: a son James.

GALE - On December 30th to Dentelle (née Smith) and Timothy, a son Alexander, a brother for Joseph.

GUBBRIS - On December 29th 1989 to Rachel (née Addres) and Michael a son. Cameron George McVean, a brother for James.

GUBBRIS - On Jamesry 1st, to Carolyn (née Monro) and Richard. a son (William Martin Peter).

BILL - On December 20th

HRLL - On December 20th 1989, to Claudia (née Ellison) and Richard, a son, James Edward Ellison,

James.

LAMESTER - (See Simmons).

McDONAGES - On January 1st.

1990. At Queen Mary's
Rochampton, to Caroline
(née Aviwin) and Robim, a
son, Charles Patrick
Alexander, long awailed
brother for James. NEWMAN - On December 30th 1989 to Barbara and John, a boy, James Edward.

OSMAN - On December 28th 1969, to Jane (née Sellens) and Philip, a daughter, Cath-erine Elizabeth.

RAWLENCE - On December 28th to Carol and Nigel, a son, David James. READING - On December 29th to Stephen and Carol a son Mark Edward.

ROSS - On December 30th to Simone (née Barget) and Howard, a daughter, Talia Rachel, a sister for Jonathan.

SCOTT - On December 31st to Cathy (née Faulkner) and Andrew, a daughter. Alice Emily Cecitie.

SIMPLONS On December 2004 1989, to Katherine (nee Lankester) and Philip, a son Sam Palmer Oliver, a STRAGE - On December 19th

David, a daughter. Sonya. Perry.

TACK - On Christmas day 1989, to Valetie and Michael, a daughter, Eleanor Alice Louise, a half sister for

THORNTON BERRY - On December 27th to Bridget Order Collin) and Adrian, a son Oliver Talbot, a brother for Matilda.

31st to Monique (née Buckle) and Stuart, a son Frederick Stuart Nicholas

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES WILKINSON-SWALES - On

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Forse & Co. Whitchurch Funeral Homes. Cardiff. until the funeral service at Thornhulli Crematorium Chapel on wednesday January 10th at 1.30 pm where friends please meet. No flowers, donallons in lieu to The Mayor of Taff Ely Appeal c/o D.J. Evans Forse & Co Whitchurch Funeral Homes, Cardiff. January 3rd 1940, in Aden. Philip to Margery.

ON THIS DAY 1833

E CANADE For hundreds of years Belgium had been under the domination of foreign

finally the Netherlands; against the last country a revolt broke out in Brussels, one eventually supported by France and Britain. In 1839 a Dutch-Belgian treaty was signed. **EXPRESS FROM** BELGIUM

THE TIMES-OFFICE 2 o Clock a.m. ANTWERP, MONDAY EVENING.

DEC. 31. The last scene of the siege of the citadel of Antwerp is past. At 2 o'clock the French soldiers quitted it,

and this day, the last of 1832, has been the first on which this celebrated fortress became the possession of the Belgians, as a free and independent people. It has existed 250 years, and now it has at length become the property of the people in whose country it was erected as a cause of terror. At first "religious bigotry" laid the basis under the government of Philip II, King of Spain, and after many changes it lastly found the support of "commer-cial bigotry" under William, King of Holland. The capture of it by the French

army under Marshal Gerard has added to the military renown of that nation; for the only "Crown" to which their claim could be in the least doubted was the mural one: they have obtained it here, by carrying on the siege against only two bastions. Yet to me their glory seemed pure, disinterested, and peaceful, when I saw to-day their soldiers surrender the gates and the body of the place to the Belgians. This act demonstrated that the French Government of the modern time can earn laurels and maintain good faith - the best encomium that can be bestowed on

any nation.
The appearance of the citadel itself is a heap of ruins; all the buildings are destroyed by the shells and by the results of the garrison's departure. To many it was during last week an spectators...

ramparts were ploughed up; broken shells, cannon-bells, and wrecks of powers — Austria, Spain, France and houses were scattered amidst walls devastated by fire. Yet the provisionstore, through which I passed to Chasse's apartment, had received but one shell. There several hundred barrels of provisions, bread in abundance, and the pumps in the case-mates were untouched. The chapel is a striking ruin; nothing there is whole: one remarkable object was the broken headless statue of Don Fernando de Solis, erected over his grave in Spanish times. The inscription yet remains in that language.

The spertment in which General
Chasse lately lived was at one end of a casemate fronting the south, and not

object of interest, yet to me it was

most so when the Belgians entered it.

I was present and saw them enter

into possession. The ground and the

exposed much to the fire of the French. It is situate at the end of the provision-store, and near a pump, considerably lower than the other parts of the citadel. It is in the direction of the bastion Duque, and near the Scheldt. There was nothing of value remaining, yet some persons, in their eagerness, sought even a slight memorial of the spot in which the old General heard so many thousand shells bursting around him After an interval of an hour, the

few trunks of General Chaseé and of his staff were brought out, and placed in three carriages: then came the old General himself, with his officers. The French Guards stationed where the coaches were waiting near the gate instantly presented arms. Another party drove away about 100 spectators. The carriages passed on through the village of St Laurent. In the irst, an old-fashioned postchaise, sate General Chassé and Colonel de Boer; it passed close to where I stood. I saw the old General, calm and serene; his age, his intrepidity, and his fidelity created for him respect in my eyes. I forgot for a moment the intolerance of his master, and although none said "God bless him," or the contrary, all were pleased to see him leave the citadel. I took off my hat; an Englishman in my company did the same; the old man saw us. and returned the salutation, the only one I saw him receive from the

BURTON - On January 1st 1990, Cherica, husband of the late Marie. (ather of Margaret and Jeffrey, peacefully aged 87 at Charterhouse. Life president of Public School Wanderers; Freelance Sports, lournalist DREW - On January 2nd. 1990. Peacefully at home. Brigadler James Norris Johni, aged 77. Much loved husband of Pam, father of Gill, John and lan and a very modulator Euporal special grandfather. Funer, special spansars.

Service at St. Mary's, Adderbury, Nr. Banbury at 2.50 pm on Tuesday 9th January, followed by Private Cremation. Family flowers only. If desired. Donations to British Heart Foundation, C/O J & M Humphris, Albert St. Banbury, OX16 8DG.

DURRANT On December 30th 1989, suddenly. Dr. Keith R. Durtant TD, FRCP, FRCR.

Dadiotherapist and Freelance Sports Journalist for The Irish Times and Manchester Guardian. Flowers to J H Kenyon Ltd.

ASTILL - On New Years Day at home Mary Ursaia Astill of Suigrave, near Banbury. Funeral service to be held at Marston St. Lawrence Church on Monday 8th January at 2.30pm. Family flowers only but donations if desired for Marston St. Lawrence Church (70 Jand M. Humphries, Albert Street. Bambury, Oxon.

BANNOCK - On December 31st 1989, Jeunifer Florence aged 38 years, much loved wife of Brian and mother of James. Funeral service and cremation at St Faith's Crematorium, Hornham. St Faith's Norwich. On Saturday January 6th at 12 noon, No flowers please but donations to the Norfolk and Norwich Hospital. Breast Screening Service, c/o G. W. GOOCH & SONS. Funeral Directors. Kimberley St. Norwich, Norfolk, NRC 22RJ. BARKER - On December 29th. peacefully in St. John's Wood, Mary (PALGRAVE BARKER) widow of Geoffrey aged 92. Service at Golders Green Crematorium at 1.30pm on Wednesday January 10th. No mourning. no flowers by her request. Flowers to J H Kenyon Ltd.
74 Rochester Row, SW1P
1.JU by 10 am Monday
January 8th. A memorial
service at St Brides church.
Fleet street to be announced.
CARILL. On December 51st
1989, aged 76, Margaret
Mary, beacefully at the Pines
Nursing Home. Putney.
Dearly loved wife of the late
Joseph, mother of Joseph
and Susan, grandmother of
Thomas, James and Patrick.
Requiem Mass at St Thomas
of Canterbury, West Hill,
Wandsworth on January
10th at 10am, followed by
cremation at Putney Vale

CAMSDALE - On December 28th. Donald James, peacefully after a short illness in Frimley Park Hospital aged 80 years. Beloved husband of Betty, loving father of Roger and Tim. "We all miss you so much", Funeral service to be much". Funeral service to be heid at Aldershot Crematorium on January 11th at 12.30 pm. Flowers and enquiries to: Farnham Funeral Service. Tei: 0252 711444.

BASEROW - On December 30th 1989 at Suiton. Co Dublin. Leanor. Dearly loved husband of Viola. father of Ronald most sadly missed by his relatives and friends. Service in St Mary's Church. Howth on Saturday next at 11am CARTER - On December 29th, peacefully. Joyce of Nynehead Court. Wellington. Wife of the late James Carler. Funeral service at Nynehead Church at 12.45 pm on January 8th followed by privale cremation. No flowers please but donations for the Royal National Institute for the Blind. BELL - On December 28th, 1989 Ethel Mary peacefully in hospital, loving mother of Susan. Jane and John. dear sister of Jimme. Funeral service to be held on Tuesday January 9th at 1pm at Marchwiel Parish Church, Wrexham. Followed by cremation at Pentrebychan. Family flowers only. Donations may be given for Dr. Arthurs Terminal care Fund. Wrexham. Macior Hospital, and the NSPCC. All enquiries to Caldecott & Sons Ltd. Tel: (0978) 261764.

CLATER - On December 31st 1989, peacefully at the Yeatman hospital Sherborne, Patricia, much loved wife of John, mother of Anne and Nick, mother-th-law of David, grandmother to James, Harry and Spec. vid. grandmother to James, Harry and Rory. Cremation private. Thanksgiving ser-vice takes place 3pm. Thursday January 11th at St. Peters church, Chetnole. Family flowers only please, but donalions for The Friends of The Yeatman hos-pital may be sent to Eason Funeral Services. Newell, Sherborne.

CLAYTON - Suddenly at home, Margaret Elleen Clayton. Daughter of the late John and Clare Clayton of Macciestield. Enquiries to Hooley Watson & Buckley Funeral Directors, 7 James Street. Macciestield. Tel: (0625) 22754.

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William, Rosie and Emma.
Filineral service at St Mary's
Church.
Farthingstone,
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On Friday
January 6th at 2.30 pm.
GRENFELL: On the 29th of
December peacefully at
home. Sybil Vera Grenfell
C.B.E. L.V., daughter of the
late LL Col. A.M. and Lady
Victoria Grenfell. Funeral
private. Service of thanksgiving to be announced later.
HABERMANN - On Saturday
December 30th 1989
peacefully, Lesley Joan (nee
Fligelstone). Sadly missed by
her daughter Maxine and son
Robert, her grandchildren
Simon, Charlotte, Matthew,
Benjamin and Henrietta,
relatives and many Iriends.
HAINES - On December 31st.
Peacefully at home, at Mill
House. Warmungton, near
Peterborough, Dora aged 84,
beloved wrie of John, dearest
mother of Judy and Jan,
much loved grandmother
and great grandmother.

and great grand

MARDY - On December 31st 1989, in Kendal, Florence Margaret S.R.N., S.C.M., M.T.D., D.N., past secretary of the International Confederation of Midwises.

Dear sister, special Auni, col-league and friend. Funeral, Distington Crematorium, Cumbria on Monday the 8th of January at 11.30. No flowers please, donations if desired to Unicef.

CRABTREE - On 1st January CRABTREE - On 1st January Ellen aged 90, widow of Her-bert (Imperial Cancer Research) cousin of Ronald Unwin. Blewbury (0235) 850871,

CREASY - On December 28th GREASY - On December 28th suddenly at home Rene Beatrice of Epsom. Beloved wife of Len and dearly loved mother of Malcolm and Julia confidante to all the family. Service at Randali's Park. Leatherhead on Monday January 8th at 3 pm. Flowers to & & Loughurst. 21 Kingston Rd. Ewell. Surrey.

BELLINGHAM - On December 17th, John Manning, late of School Lane, Surbiton, peacefully at Kingston Hospi-tal after a short timess, greatly missed by his wife Shella, daughter Suzanne and his mapy friends. CULLER - On December 28th
1989 suddenly at home.
Cella Elizabeth Lochneli.
Widow of Anthony, loved
mother of Judy and the late
Liz and grandmother of eight
grandchildren. Funeral
service on Friday January
Sth, 11.30am, at Craighouse
Church. Jura. Scotland.
Flowers to Donald
MacDonald Undertaket.
Lochgliphead, Argylikhire. BOMFORD - On January 1st 1990 at Alexandra Hospital, Redditch, Ernest Henry of The Hills, Beoley, Worcestershire aged 92. Family funeral only.

DAVIES - On Saturday
December 30th at Amesbury
Abbey. Wilshire. Morfudd
Ann Mary. much foved wife
of the late J. Llefelys Davies
and a beloved mother and
grandmother. Funeral
Service at Sello Chapel.
Lianon. Dyfed on Saturday

DENCER - On December 28th 1989 Kathleen Minnle O.B.E. Funeral service at the Mid Warwicksthre Crematorium. Oakley Wood. Bishops Tachbrook. Nr Learnington Spa on Inesday January 9that 2 pin. No flowers by request but donalions may be sent to The National Trust. 36 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1.

don SW1.

DOBINSON - On December 17th, suddenly, after a happy and active autumn. Dorothy Maude Dobinson, widow of Professor CH Dobinson, beloved mother of Cillian and Humphrey, sister of Nina, loving mother-in-law, grandmother and great grandmother. Donations in memoriam to Rediands and Minster Wards, Baltile Hospital. Reading.

(0267) 236226.

MORDERN - On 28 December 1989, peacefully at Nazareth House Nursing Home, Beachtll, Joan Adela Calveley. ARCM aged 90. Much loved by all. Retumen at 8 Thomas More Church. Seaford on 16 January 1990 at 12.15pm. Enquiries to Mummery tundertakers. 31 enquiries to Mummery (undertakers), 31 Devonshire Rd. Bexhill. Tel (0424) 730418.

JAMES - On December 24th, peacefully in her sleep, Phyllis Muriel aged 96, wife of the late E.C.A. James, mother of Rosemary and grandmother of Tisch, Spencer and Buffy, Funeral service for close frence and service for close friends and family only at Thornhill Cre-materium. Cardiff on January 15th. Flowers to James Summers and Son. Roath Court. Cardiff. KOWOL - On December 29th KOWOL - On December 29th 1989 suddenly at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford. Ernest Wiktor dearly loved husband of Tilly and father of Tom. loving grandfather of Kit and Leska. Funeral on Sih January 1990 at The United Reformed Church, Wheatley at 11.30 am. Flowers to Reeves & Pain. 288 Abingdon Road, Oxford.

LOWE - On December 28th 1989, peacefully after a short illness in her 97th year, Gwendoline Mary, of Horsted Keynes, Dearty loved sister aunt (mad anny Morsted Keynes. Dearly loved sister, aunt. great aunt. and dear friend to so many. Private cremation. family only at her request. Family flowers to Masters & Son. Lindfield. West Sussex RH16 2HH (04447) 2107 Donations if desired to MIND. 22 Hartey Street. London, W1N 2ED.

MANN On 24th December 1989, Beiva, Funeral service to be held on 8th January, at 10.00am at Croydon Crema-Flowers or donation: torium. Flowers or donations to Harestone Marie Curie Home. c/o B C Baker and Son. 15-17 High Street Caterham, Surrey. MARKS - On January 1st

1990, after a long and pain-ful illness, fought with outstanding courage and de-termination. Norma Despaine, darling beloved wife of Bernard, deeply loved mother of Nicholas and Stephen and dearest sister of Drana. Pimeral service on Friday January 5th at 12 noon at the Jewish Chapel. Weybridge Cemetary, 5rooklands Lane, off Heath Rd. Weybridge, Family flowers only. Donahons 'in memory of Norma Maris' to Princess Alice Hospice. West End Lane, Esher, Surrey KT 10 BNA. Details of Memorial Service to be amnounced later. loved mother of Nicholas and

MILLSON - On December 31st 1939. in Somerset West, Cape of Good Hope, after a short libress. Cyril Edgar, 29ed 89, dearly loved father of Peter, grandiather of Hattle and great grandfather of Emma and Pippa, Private cremation January 4th, Family flowers only please. MARLER - On December 26th 1989 suddenly in Sussex, Nina Vivienne, aged 84 years, Much loved her by daughlers Sylvia and Rita, her grandchildren, great grandchildren and her many friends Carrier grandchildren and her many iriends. Service on Friday January 8th at Holy Trinity Church. Pyecombe at 12 noon, followed by interment. Flowers, or donations if desired, to the Rev. Craham Jeffrey for The Restoration Fund of the Churches of Pyecombe and Poynings. c/o Hanningtons Funeral Directors Ltd. 4-6 Monteflore Road, Hove. Sussex.

Directors Ltd. 4-6 monteriore
Road. Hove. Sussex.

MARTIN - On Thuryday
December 28th. peacefully in
the early hours. after a long
iliness. Richard Brian,
beloved husband of the late
Bouncer and father of Lucielane Carriers at Worcester. FRCR. Consultani Radiotherapist and Oncologist. Churchill Hospital. Oxford. Beloved Husband of Jill unfer Tufft) and adored Father of Sally, Dominic and Charlotte. Funeral service at St. Mary Mandalene. Church Church Bouncer and father of Lucie-Jane. Service at Worcester Cremtatorium. Astwood Road, at 1 pm on Monday January 8th. Flowers to: H.W. Taylor & Son Fitneral Directors. 1 Highstreet. Tewkesbury. Glos. or donations to: Marte Curie Memorial Foundation. LARTIN - On December 31st

Woodstock, Oxfordshire on Saturday January 6th, 1990 at 2,00 pm. Flowers to Jeffams, Woodstock, Donahors if desired to K.R. Durrani Memorial Fund, c/o Radiotherapy Department, Churchill Hospital, Oxford, He will be greatly missed by all his family, many friends and patients both here and overseas.

EASTWOOD - On December 29th, Deacefully in hospital. MARTIM - On December 31st
1989, Marjorie (née Mowil)
aged 87. Widow of Dr. J.
Asian Martin and dear
mother of Constance and
stepmother of Francis and
Elisabeth. Enquiries to Haine
& Son Ltd., 19 South Street.
Eastbourne, Tel: 27801. No
flowers please, but domations
to the London City Mission.
"Absent from the body,
present with the Lord."

MASKELL - On December
30th 1989 peacefully after a
short liness Betty much
loved wife of Peter and doarly loved mother of Susan and
Simon. Grandmother of 29th. peacefully in hospital. at Seaton Devon, after a long

Magdalene Chi Woodstock, Oxfordshire

29th. peacefully in hospital. at Seaton Devon. after a long illness, courageousty borne. Major F.H.B (Derick). Eastwood R.A. (retired). A much loved husband of Barbara Ann. Requiem at St. Michael's Beer. Devon. on Friday January Sth. at 12 noon. Family flowers only. donations if desired to Arthritis Research. c/o Hansfords Funeral Directors. 2 Mount Hill. Beer. Seaton EX12 3HX.

EHRENFELO - On December 30th. Stella in her 96th year. widow of Alfred Ehrenfeld of Bridgham Farm. mother of Etisabeth Duckworth. Funeral service at Holy Trinliy Church. Forest Green. 2.30 Friday January Sth.

FITCH - On December 20th. 1989. very suddenly and peacefully in her home Mary Hilda Margarette. aged 74 years. the dearly loved sister of Lawrence. Funeral Wednesday 10th January service Hastings Crematorium 2.00pm. Family flowers only by request, enquiries to Hinkley Funeral Service, 50 Mount Pleasant Road. Tel loved white it reads and assistance by loved mother of Susan and Siroon. Grandmother of Vanessa and Katle. Funeral Service Thursday January 11th at 3 pm at Worcester Crematorium to which all friends are tovited. Family flowers only but donations if desired for Cancer Research, Scanner Appeal, Worcester Royal Infirmary. Free Post, Worcester WR5 1BR.

MATHESON - On December 21st 1989, peacefully in his sieep at his Towersey home. Cyrif Cecil Knud (Muckle) aged 85 years, much loved

Cyrii Cecii Knud (Muckie)
aged 85 years, much loved
husband of Eveline. Funeral
Service at Towersey Parish
Church on Monday 18th of
January 1990 at 2.30 pm.
Flowers if desired to: F.J.
Wilson, Haddenham.
MILLER: On December 31st
suddenly after a short lithess,
Herry Tatlock aged 76. only by request, enquiries to Hinkley Funeral Service, 50 Mount Pleasant Road, Tel (0424) 722461. IBSON - On December 22nd 1989, peacefully at home. Evelyn Helena (née Wood). Formally of Home Office Sta-tistical Department. Private IBSON - On December 28th GIBSON - On December 28th Elizabeth Abercromble Gibson of Aynhoe Park, Banbury and formerty of Lowood. South Queensferry. Wife of the late Ronald Gibson, mother of Rhona and Brian and grandmother of William, Rosie and Emma. Futueral service at St Mary's Church Earthingstone.

Harry Tallock aged 76.

MONT - On December 31st.
Reginald William, peacefully
at Newton Lodge Nursing
Home. Ryde. Beloved
husband of the Laie Peta.
adored father of Elizabeth
and dearest grandfather of
Amanda. Timothy. Jernima
and Oliver. Family flowers
only but donations please to
the Island Hospice. Fairlee
Hospilai, Newport. Isle of
Wight. Funeral at the Isle of
Wight Crematorium Monday
8th January at 12 noon.
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Son Funeral Directors. Tel
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PAGET - On December 30th.
Freda Paget thee Townsend).
greatly loved and sorely
missed by all of her family
and friends. Funeral service

and friends. Funeral service at St Peter and St Paul's Church. Hellingly. Nr Hallsham, East Sussex at 11.00am, Tuesday, 9th January, Flowers to R Butler and Sons, 1 Belibanks Road, Hallsham, East Sussex. PENNINGTON - On Decembe 30th, 1989 peacefully Manon Affleck beloved wife Marion Affleck beloved wife of the late Frederick William Charles formerly Deputy Assistant Commissioner Metropolitan Police, dear mother of David Malcolm. Funeral Service at Breakspear Crematorium. Russip on Wednesday January 10th. 1990 at 12.50 (East Chapeli, Flowers to T.A. Ellement & Son Ltd, 21 Bridge Street, Pinner.

Bridge Street, I Middlesex HA5 3HR. PENRUDDOCKE - On December 29th, peacefully Barbary Gibson Penruddocke (nee Harris) beloved wife of Tom

names beloved while of 10m and mother of Annabel and Charles. Cremation at Tunbridge Wells at 10,30 on January 11th. Family flowers only. donations to Pestalozzi Childrens Village Trust or Cancer Relief c/o Abbey Euperal Services 173. Abbey Funeral Services, 173 High Street, Tonbridge, Kent.

Kent.

PHILLIPS - On December 28th Richard Markham dearly loved and loving husband of Many, much loved father of Carole. Ian and Charles and dearest grandpa to his six grandchildren. Private family funeral. Service of Thanksgiving on Tuesday January 25rd at Holy Trinity. Brompton Rd. 12 noon. Donations if desired, lo Royal Marsden Hospital Appeal Fund. Fulham Rd. London SW3.

POLLOCK - On December

Appeal Filing. Filinam Rd, London SW3.

POLLOCK - On December 30th at The Ivy House. Churchstoke. Montgomery. in her 105rd year Joan (Gladys), wife of the late Charles Pollock. beloved mother of Michael. Diana and Mercia. dear 'Danny' to Mill, John, and Oliver. and to all her numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren. Funeral at SL. Nicholas' Churchstoke on Monday January 8th at 11am. followed by private Internent at Lydam. No flowers please, but donations in her memory, if wished, to the NSPCC (Churchstoke Branch. c/o E.R.D. Corfield & Sons, The Brynkin, Churchstoke.

POWELL - On January 1st, 1990. Very peanefully at Cirencester. Jane. deeply loved wife of Tim. very dear mother of Libby and Antonia, and devoted grandmother. Fumeral service at Bibury Parish Church on Saturday January 6th at 12 noon. Family flowers only to Packer & Stade. City Sank Road, Cirencester, Donations if desired to Help The Hospices, BMA House, Tavistock Square, London WC1.

Square, London WCI.

RADEVSKY - On December
31st after a long illness borne
with great courage. Oscar.
aged 70. Much loved
husband of Lynn, father of
Tony and Richard and
Stepfather of Jenny. He will
be deeply missed by all his
family and many friends. No
flowers, but if desired,
donations to St. Raphael's
Hospice, St. Anthony's
Hospital, London Road,
North Chearn, Surrey,
Cremation at South London
Crematorium, Rowan Road,
London, SW16 at 5pm on
Friday January 5th. RICARD - On December 31st

and a sile a courageous fight. Patrick Charles, Much loved by his wife Jean and many friends. Funeral service at Worthing crematorium on Thursday January 11th at 12.30 pm. No flowers please at his request but donations in his memory may be sent to memory may be sent to Woodgreen Animal Shelters care of H D Tribe Ltd, 130 Broadwater Road, Worthing, Telephone (0903) 34516. RISTRC: On December 29th, 1989 Toma loved husband of Branka. Service (EM) Serbi-an Church. London

an Church. London 12.15pm. Funeral, Brookwood Cemetery nr Woking. 2.30pm Jan 3rd. Woung, 250pm Jan 3rd.

2088 - On December 30th peacefully in Winchester aged 88. Commander William John Robb R.N. Rid., devoted husband of Grace and the late Lity. Dearly loved father of Margaret (Roope) and the late Brian. Loving grandfather and great grandfather. Funeral service in Winchester Cathedral on Monday January 8th at

Monday January 8th at 3.15pm. followed by private crematoria at Southampton Crematorium. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to British Diabetic Association c/o Jno Steel & Son, Chesil House. Winchester.

ROSERTS On December 29th
1989, peacefully at her home
3 Lynwood Road, Epsom.
Doris kathleen, dearly loved
widow of the late David
George Phrosser Roberts. Funeral service at Croydon
Crematorium on Friday January 5th at 3.15 pm.
ROSE - On December 24th ROSE - On December 24th

uary 5th at 3.15 pm.

ROSE - On December 24th
1969 suddenly and peacefully at 8 Ravenscroft Park,
Barnet, Hertfordshire, Mirlam Annie dearly loved by
her sister in law, godsons,
and many friends. For many
years she taught at Gunley
House, Isleworth and then La
Retraite, Clapham, Requiem
mass of the Church of Immaculate and St Gregory the
Great, Union Steet, Barnet at
11 am on friday, 5th January
followed by cremation.
Flowers welcome, to J.A.
Clarke and Son (Punerals)
Ltd. 103 Wood Street, Barnet
or a donation to charity.
ROWLEY - On January 1st,
1990 at Leision Old Abbey,
Phyllis, aged 90. Memorial
service at St Peter and St
Paul Church, Wangford, Suffolk at noon on Friday
January 12th. No flowers
but any donations to Paridiasons Disease Society, 36
Portland Piace, London W1.
SMAW - On December 27th
1989. Peacefully, at

POTUZING PIECE, LONDOR WI.
SHAW On December 27th
1989. Peacefully, at
Ashford. Kent. David
Douglas Ernest, only son of
William and Alice Shaw of
Strood, dearly loved by ali
his friends. Funeral service
at the Church of St Greenery his friends. Funeral service at the Church of Si Gregory and Si Martins. Wye. Ashford at 2.30 pm on Friday January 5th 1990. followed by private cremation. Family flowers only, but donations if desired to The Artists Benevolent Institution and Artists Orphan Fund at Burtington House. Picadilly. WIV ODJ. SHAW - On December 27th. 1989. peacefully at Ashford. Kent. David Douglas Ernest only son of William and Alice

Kent. David Douglas Ernest only son of William and Alice Shaw of Strood, dearly loved by all his fitends. Fimeral Service at The Church of St. Gregory and St Martin. Wye. Ashford at 2.30pm on Friday January 5th. 1990, followed by private cremation. Family flowers only but donations if desired to the Arrists Benevolent Institution and Arrists

dealred to the Artists Benevotent Institution and Artists
Orphan Fund at Burtington
House. Piccadilty. WIV ODJ.
STONEY-WE NOT

December 31st peacefully at
home Air Vice Marshal
Aubrey aged 74. much loved
husband of Ursula, father of
Colin. grandidather of Mungo.
Mourned by family and
friends. Funerial service at
All Saints. Great Horkesley
saturday January 6th at 11 All Saints, Great Horkestey saturday January 6th at 11 am. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Royal Marsden Hospital Cancer Fund.

SVEWRIGHT - On New Years
Day. Winifred May loved
mother of John, peacefully at
The Ridgeway Home,
Llawhden. Pembrokeshire. aged 87. Private cremation. aged 87. Private cremation.

SoFFE - On December 31st, peacefully, Tom. aged 57, devoted husband of the late Susan. much loved father of Rosanne, Simon and Holly, and dear brother of Julia. Funeral on Monday 8th January at 2 pm at All Saints Church, Winterslow, Family flowers only, donations if desired for the Royal Star and Garter Home and the Chest. Heart and Stroke Association. c/o F. Fry Funeral Directors, Nestyn, Middle Sallsbury.

STAINES - On December 26th

STAINES - On December 26th 1989, suddenly at his home. Eric Alfred Kerr, the dear husband of Wendy and loving and much loved father will be so sadly missed by us all. Funeral service at The Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, Wadhurst. on Monday January 8th at 12 noon.
Followed by Cremation at
Tunbridge Wells. Family
flowers only please.
Donations to his memory for

the Cancer Research Campaign may be sent c/o J. Kempster & Sons. 2/4 Albion Ro. Tunbridge Weils.

STANSALL - On Friday
December 29th 1989 very
peacefully after a long lilness
bravely borne at Frinton-onSea. Essex. Gordon Llonel on
London SW1. beloved eidest
son of Alice and Llonel and
dear brother of Ann. and dear brother of Ann and Mark Funeral service at St Mary's Church, Frinton-on-Sea on Thursday January 11th at 11.30 am to b

followed by private cremation at Weeler Crematorium. Family Crematorium. Family flowers only, but donations, if desired, to Masonic Charities, c/o P G Oxley Ltd, 47 High street. Walton-on-the-Naze, Essex.

1989 Marie Phoebe aged 96 last surviving daughter of David Gestetner. Her wit and last surviving daughter of David Gestetner. Her wit and John Chestetner. Her wit and John Stewart. by her grandsons Nicolas. Alex and Roland. and by her close friend Donald Rau. Graleful and loving thanks go to many for their constant care, and in particular to her loyal and devoted companions, notably Phyllis Feeney. Cremation at 12:50 pm on Wednesday 3rd January 1990. Wice Admrai Str Michael K.C.B. O. B.E. aged 82. Much loved husband of Rosemary and father of Val and Camilla. Funeral private. Service of Thankspiving at St Andrew's Church. Melton on Friday 19th Jan. at 11.45 am. No Flowers, donations if desired in Camp Reisel Macrolland Camp Resief Macrolland Reconstructs Resief Resief Residual Res

Flowers, donations if desired to Cancer Relief Macmillan Fund, 15-19 Britten St, SW3

to Cancer Heiler Macmillam Fund, 15-19 Britten St. SW3.

WALFORD - On December 31st peacefully Gill adored wife of the late George Walford and greatly loved mother of Em and Mark. Funeral at Ramsden on Friday January 5th at 2pm. Family flowers only please. Donations to St.James Church, Ramsden. Oxon.

WARWICK - On December 31st. peacefully. Dick Warwick of Cherry Orchard Yard, Oundle. Commemoration at Peterborough Crematorium (Bretton). 12 noon Thursday January 11th. No flowers please but donations may be made to The Abbado European Young Musicians Trust. Lloyds Bank, 113 Leadenhall Street. London, EC3A 4AX. A thanksgiving concert will be held in Oundle in May.

WELD - On December 29th. in January standards and the Delina of December 20th. in January standards and the peterborough concert will be held in Oundle in May.

WILD - On December 29th, in Vancouver, aged 86. Roland. Author and journalist. Dearty loved husband of Barrie and father of Susan and Nettle. Memorial service January 7 at home. H7 1749 Fell Avenue, North Vancouver, V7P3L3, BC.

Vancouver, V7PSLS, BC.
WILSON - On January 1st
1990, peacefully in her sieep,
Mary Lavington Rooker.
Funeral on Friday January
5th, at St. Anne's Church.
Alderney, C.J. al 12 noon.
WOOD - On December 29th,
naacefully in hossilal at wood - On December 29th, peacefully in hospital at Eath, aged 82, Joan Kathleen Sandford. Second daughter of the late Prof Charles Wood Mus. Doc. Sister of Edward. Service at Salisbury crematorium. Tuesday January 9th at 4,30pm.

at 4.3cpm.

WOOD - On December 31st.
peacefully at Honeywood
House, Rowhook, Janet
Mursel, aged 94, Wife of the
late Edwin Wood and mother
of Katherine and John, Creor katherine and John. Cre-mation private. no flowers but donations to Save the Children. Memorial service taler at Rusper, details from and donations to Freeman bros. 9 North Parade. Horsham, Sussex. MEMORIAL SERVICES

CHESHAM - A service of thankspiving for the life of John Charles Compton 5th Baron Chesham will be held in Winchester Cathederal on Saturday January 13th at 12

HELL - A memorial service for and interment of ashes of Mary E. Hill will take place al St. Mary's, Yate. Nr Bristol at 2 pm. Monday January 15th.

January 15th.

JAMES - A service of Thanksgiving for the life of JOAN
GOODNOW MACMURRAY
JAMES will be held in Christ
Church Cathedral. Oxford, at
2:30 p.m. on Selunday,
January 27th 1990.

MARSHAM - A service of
thanksgiving for the life of
Dr. T.N. Marsham. CBE.
FRS. F.Pog. will be held in
the Choir of the Anglican
Cathedral, St James's Mount,
Liverpool at 12:30 pm on
Friday 26th January. His

Friday 26th January, His family will be pleased to welcome those attending the service to join them for light

service to join them for light refreshments atterwards in the Western Rooms (in the crypt) of the Cathedral. ROBERTS - A Thankogiving Service for the life of Keith Edward Roberts O.B.E., J.P. will be held at St. Mery's Church, Haverhill, Suffolk, on Wednesday 28th Industry. on Wednesday 24th January 1990 at 2.30pm. Donations if desired to R.A.B.L. or Gree Wratting Church, c/o H.J. Paintin Ltd., Haverhill.

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A pushy woman at work

* TELEVISION **Jasper Rees**

This might appear to be an extravagant claim, but you could argue that, from David Niven to Raby Wax is but a step.

The step in question is the

Atlantic Ocean, which Niven crossed to make a career as the Eaglish amhassador to Holly-wood. More recently, Wax took the same step in the other direction, making a career as a US ambassador to British television.

Having persuaded her to defect again, from Channel 4, the BBC have allowed Wax to build her own which, which is roomy enough for her to be herself: garulous, brash and fearlessly embarrassing; in short, American. The format of Hit and Run (BBC 1) could not be simpler. The camera crew shows up at Wax's place first thing; she dashes upstairs to pack a suitcase, says her goodbyes to husband, baby and manny, and careers out into the street, where she immediately begins the hunt for man interest stories.

Accosting passing strangers, knocking on doors to solicit interviews, she intrudes and esquires indiscriminately. In other words, the 15 seconds of fame Wax has to offer is the sort the man and woman in the street ought to be very wary of accepting, as it involves divulging intimate sexual secrets, and "trash like that". "Just give me something," she pleaded with one unforthcoming passer-by. "I am trying to make a

But the Wax way still gets results. In the first of the series, she traded insults with a surly taxi driver, barged into the drawingroom of a glamorously wellpreserved but reclusive society ady, nosed around a suburb nudist colony, and fetched up at a Cyprict wedding party.

Only Wax can do this, because she plumbs the depths other presenters cannot reach. The presenter one is meant to be reminded of is Anneka Rice, whose squeakyclean miracle-working show Hit and Run consciously spoofs.

To the cameraman who hurtled along in her wake, Wax barked, "Don't look at my behind; Anneka's behind is perfect." The behinds de not differ only in size: energetic Anneka's, Juridly tracksuited, is packed with niceness, warmth and fun; rude Ruby's, power-dressed in a career-girl sbort skirt, rediates uncompromis-

Some of the bare behinds at the nudist colony, of course, said all sorts of other things, and an index of Wax's skill is that she knows selves. "I like to think I can play the field," said the especially rotand man who escorted her to the colony. Nothing needed to be

said, and nothing was.
As for Hit and Run's spontage ity, you can only take Wax at her word when she says it is authentic. It's just that, even when people think they are telling the truth, they may well not be. One woman who opened her front door to Wax recognized her at once: "I know you," she said politely. "My friend's got all your records." Touché.

With two plays about to open in London, Howard Barker remains, as Jim Hiley discovers, an outsider among British playwrights

Theatre's one-man awkward squad

ne of the British theatre's greatest assets is the output of a radical group of dramatists. now slipping into middle age with their radicalism exuberantly intact. Few younger playwrights look like emulating the early precociousness and continning fecundity of Caryl Churchill, Howard Brenton, David

Hare and their generation Among this redoubtable band, Howard Barker is a conspicuous oddball. Over 20 years, he has seen 40 plays produced, carving a niche for himself without ever enjoying the big box-office success that periodically befalls his comrades. In an era of populism and instant communication, he stands for ruminative abstraction. Against the tide of televisioninfluenced miniaturism, Barker insists on propounding epic

Managements treat Barker with caution, but directors and actors cherish his scorching poetics and haunting imagery. Few play-wrights are better regarded within sion. There are signs, too, of a kindling public warmth for theatre's one-man awkward squad.

Others might have abandoned a career which pays him less than the average industrial wage. But Barker maintains a prolific supply of new texts. He also finds time to articulate his vision of a drama which "honours" its audience with dense and disturbing fare. Last year be published a bracing manifesto, Arguments for a The*atre* (John Calder).

Now Barker finds himself in the unlikely position of having two plays unveiled in London within days. After attracting capacity bouses and enthusiastic reviews in Sheffield and Leicester, the Wrestling School - a company formed by actors expressly for the promo-tion of Barker's work - has brought his Seven Lears to the Royal Court, And Ian McDiarmid and Jouathan Kent inaugurate their new regime at the Almeida with Scenes From An Execution, in which Glenda Jackson makes a rare appearance on the "fringe".

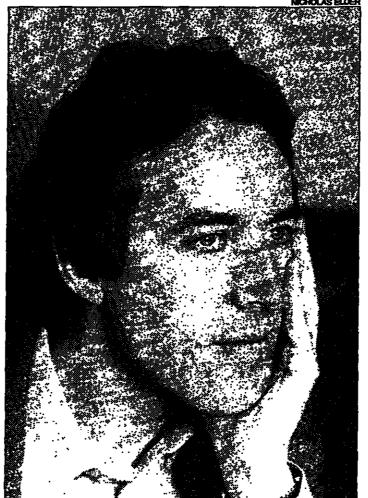
Seven Lears speculates on the tragic hero's early life, sketching a biography of his wife, whom Shakespeare mentions only fleetingly. Lear marries Clarissa after an affair with her mother. Then, in a series of disastrous battles, his wife proves a rather more effective general than he. Among other inventions, the Fool begins life as well-placed courtier, and Gloucester is a beggar ennobled by Lear on a whim. The play also charts the king's descent from an early preoccupation with goodness to what Barker calls the "boorishness" of Shakespeare's opening

"I am writing about the conflict between conscience and individnal freedom," 43-year-old Barker says. His pronouncements are crisp to the point of pugnacity, but his manner is shy. "My Lear believes himself born wise, but he attempts to achieve madness. His quest takes no account of the public, which is suicidal for a

ome performances of Seven Lears will be preceded by a shorter piece, Golgo (reviewed in these pages last month), in which a group of aristocrats "prepare for their fate" in the French revolution by enacting their own travesty of the Crucifixion. Both plays feature a chorus. By this device, Barker says he is seeking to "dump the naturalistic baggage" of modern drama. At the same time, he hopes to "subvert the chorus as a repository of truth".

"My characters often advance both an idea and its opposite. They seduce each other by their lateness. There isn't much subtext in my work." In this, Barker discards a tradition which even "left-wing" dramatists tend to embrace. Much British acting and directing hinges on allusion

MARC ENGLIERAND



Barker: "Our world is highly contradictory, so art should reflect that"

and thoughts unspoken. By contrast, Barker is intent on lugging on to the stage the demons that other writers and directors confine to the wings.

In Scenes From An Execution, Glenda Jackson appears as Galactia, a fictional Venetian painter of the 16th century, commissioned by the authorities to commemorate their victory at the Battle of Lepanto. Far from

extolling military might, Galactia's mural is gory and shocking. Her dissidence lands her in jail, though by the end she has gained acceptance of a kind. Barker might be expected to lionize an artist at odds with her society, but his play is altogether more ambiguous. As he points out, "Galactia is relentlessly egocentric and flawed."

He has no qualms about the

mounting of Scenes From An Execution as a star vehicle. "I believe in big parts, especially for women. We have so many wonderful actresses who aren't being given contemporary roles. Glenda has a tremendous power of invention and linguistic manipulation. You can't do my work without that sort of energy.

Jackson played Galactia five years ago in the original radio version of the play, which won both the Sony Award and the Prix Italia - the only drama prize Barker values. At the time of the broadcast, Jackson testified approvingly: "Howard writes langnage you can actually taste."

A recent attempt to bring the play into the West End came to nothing, but Barker refuses to be fazed by his lack of commercial appeal. He claims that he was heartened by the response to Seven Lears on tour. He sensed a readiness among audiences to enjoy the sensuality of his language, without hunting for packages of meaning. Here again, Barker confounds

the image of the radical play-wright. "Message" drama is one of his greatest bugbears: "My func-tion is not to enlighten people, but to make them participate in an imaginative journey.'

ven so, it has been suggested that both Seven Lears and Scenes From An Execution betray a new accessibility in Barker's writing. He denies this strenuously - "the artist who makes himself accessible is selfdestructive" - and he goes so far as to call himself an élitist. "But the élite I'm interested in hunger for the imaginative life. It's nothing to do with class or education." In the regions, he says, some people saw Seven Lears three times. "They would not have returned if the play had not been complex. Audiences should feel

encouraged to come in and wade

about in complexity. Our world is

highly contradictory, so art should

reflect that. The artist's duty is to think hard, not shallowly." In his latest work, Barker grapples with the perennial conflict between "the desire to submit and the desire to resist", which he believes has been reactivated by Mrs Thatcher and her global soulmates. "A characteristic of Thatcherism is a reversion to the idea of nature, irreparable in its forces. Poverty and sickness are seen as part of an order. Those who oppose the concept try to do so by discipline, control and uniformity, as for example in the East European regimes which are now crumbling."

ike several of his contemporaries, Barker once specialized in "state of England" plays, but overt politics no longer inspire him creatively. "I begin with a crisis rather than an intention. You have to be irresponsible, assailing everything you

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cherish, when you start writing." Despite this laudable commitment to the reinvention of his own talent, it is a surprise to hear Barker hymning theatrical classicism. "I respect traditional values, especially in terms of language. The complexities of poetry are destroyed by the media. In the theatre, spoken language can be defended and expanded."

He dismisses the idea that 1990 might be his breakthrough year. The same was said, he points out, of 1985, when three of his plays were presented to sell-out houses by the Royal Shakespeare Company. "I don't require a mass following. I want to address the intelligentsia. They're a very important class - just look at their role in Eastern Europe. When people talk about a breakthrough, I wonder - break through to

• Seven Lears previews at the Royal Court (01-730 1745) on Thursday, opens on Friday. Scenes From An Execution previews at the Almeida (01-359 4404) from Thursday and opens on Tuesday, January 9.



Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme: Jérôme Savary (left), André Burton

Panto à la mode, or Molière at the circus

Jérôme Savary's Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme is the best of British panto at its most farcically French. Although he is now artistic director of the Chaillot - France's most respected national theatre after the Comédie Française -Savary's origins as founder of the avant-garde Grand Magic Circus theatre company make themselves felt when the occasion arises, (London theatre-goers had a chance to sample a much-diluted dose of the Savary style, when he

As both director of Le Bourgeo Gentilhomme and its star (he plays the would-be gentilhomme, Mon-sieur Jourdain), Savary takes Molière's classic, comic tale and outrageously tailors it to fit his own theatrical excesses. Molière's scenario and dialogue are intact, but the rest is pure Magic Circus.

Savary's Jourdain sports 2 floor-length red wig and more frills and furbelows than Dame Edna Everage. The extrovert Savary is no actor, but a showman without parallel, down to the tip of Jourdain's fat cigar. François

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> Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme Chaillot, Paris

Borysse's mincing Dance Master (fetching in sugar-pink satin) and André Burton's mealy-mouthed Music Master squabble like a of Ugly Sis

The panto metaphor continues with Valérie Mairesse's portraval of Lucile as a wayward Cinders contriving to have a ball with Cleante (Stephane Dansse), no Prince Charming, but a lanky commoner who thus gets the thumbs-down from Lecile's socialclimbing paps, Jordain. It becomes a mixed metaphor with the arrival of Captain Hook is a highspeed wheelchair, masquerading as Molière's satirical Fencing Master.

When Jourdain goes Tark, the show's high-kicking chorus line

goes topless. The musical inter-lades by Lully, Molière's favourite musical collaborator, are supplemented by some swinging sounds from Christian Hillion, who also plays a mean saxophone in the baroque jazz band that occupies a corner of Michel Lebois' constand country mansion design. This latter survives being blasted by a bout of convincingly wet weather, being split up the middle by a volcanic Dante's inferno and finally being bombarded by party-

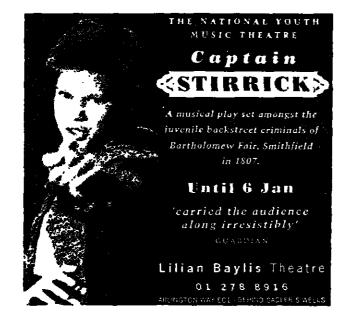
No-one actually says the French equivalent of "Oh no, there isn't" nor encourages cries of "He's behind you" from the audience, but such phrases hang in the air. Bruno Raffaelli is such a deliciously despicable, scrounging aristocratic Dorante, he does indeed evoke hisses

Standing out in the 40-strong cast - whose quick-changes provide the illusion of being a cast of hundreds - is Maxime Lombard as the Philosophy Master. He accompanies Molière's masterly oral send-up of the vowel sounds

with a visual explanatory St Vitus dance that, in panto pariance, brings the house down. Amidst this savoury Savary mix

of Max-Wall-meets-the-Marx-Brothers, it is left to Nadine Alari as Madame Jourdain to carry the torch for Molière's underlying social message. While all about are losing everything except their sense of homour, Madame Jourdain keeps an impressive cool, trying with homespun good sense to prevent her husband from being relieved of dignity and respect along with his wallet. Folly wins out as Jourdain verbally makes his wife bite the dust of humiliation.

It is at this point that Molière fights back to the surface. Savary's Jourdain, for all his zany bon-homie, is suddenly revealed to be a failed anti-hero, souring the plea-sure of those in the audience who have reached the age of reason. There is the realization that a surfeit of custard pie obliterates too many of the play's everpertinent, clever, class-conscious



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Any book can be a best-seller, as long as it is a Good Book 10,000 to 60,000 of each of these

bose given to believing everything they read in the papers might draw as a conclusion from the recent rash of critics' choices and bestseller listings that the books bought in the hugest quantities during 1989 were by Julian Barnes, Martin Amis, Michael Palin and Denis Healey. Wrong. As usual, the top seller by several miles was the responsibility (at least in part) of quite a different quarter: the Bible.

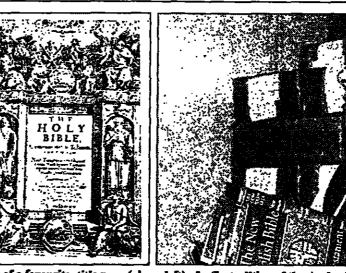
If cumulative sales of the Bible (together with those of English dictionaries) were frankly re-flected in bestseller lists, it would be a rare week when anything else would achieve a look in. Is it wonderful, weird or just plain baffling in this increasingly godless age — when the range of books available grows wider with each passing year — that this one book should go on selling hand over fist. month in, month out, even while many non-profit making religious organizations are ready and willing to give them away?

"It does seem odd," agrees David Wilkinson - book buyer for Harrods - "but it is still a title which, if not monitored, can go suddenly out of stock." Harrods sells many thousands of copies of the different versions every year, with demand traditionally doubling at Christmas and Easter.

"When Hodder brought out that paperback New International Version some months ago - the one with a Manhattan, Tom Wolfestyle cover - we sold 200 in a few weeks. And the leather-bound deluxe editions go well: 50 a week at Christmas."

All this is nothing, however, compared to the sales annually achieved by Britain's greatest source, the Bible Society. As they explain: "Contrary to most parts of the world, we in Englishspeaking countries have a wealth of Bibles. The most modern are the result of the establishment of translation from ancient texts as a sophisticated and precise process, recent significant archaeological discoveries, and a commitment to

Forget the modern British novelists and television tie-ins: the Bible is the biggest-selling book every year, as Joseph Connolly relates



Faces of a favourite: title page (above left) of a first edition of the Authorised Version, 1611; some of the more than one million copies of the New Testament of the New English Bible, which was published in 1961 the faithful communication of the two Bibles are sold in Britain than Bible's message."

The Prince of Wales may be modern texts hugely outstrip those of the more traditional versions.

By far the most popular of all, despite its 1976 vintage, is the The Good News Bible published by Collins. (For every person who winces at the title, there are thousands who go out and buy it.) Runner-up is Hodder and Stough-

It is estimated that nearly oneand-a quarter million Bibles and Testaments are sold in the UK each year, the Good News Bible commanding a 33 per cent share of this market, 18 per cent going to the New International Version. The Bible Society therefore calculates that more copies of these



of all other versions put together, of the NIV.

the NIV sold 275,000 (including

displeased to learn that sales of the Whether people love the new texts remains debatable, but that they are more accessible (or, as it has been suggested, less off-putting) appears evident. That they sell in huge quantities is indisputable.

ton's New International Version.

and sales are now rising each year in Britain the GNB sold 374,000 copies in 1986, 380,000 in 1987, and 410,000 in 1988. During 1988.

export sales). These figures are staggering even when one considers that they do not reflect sales of a single standard product. For while most other books are available only in hardback or paperback (dictionaries, again, being the exception), The Good News Bible comes in no fewer than 60 formats, ranging from £5 softcover editions on up via serviceable hardbacks and a bewildering array of "presentation" editions (some frankly horrible) to superb Persian leather "pew and pulpit" Bibles at £145. Along the way are all manner of compact editions, part works, illustrated and large

print versions, as well as the

mandatory morocco bindings,

with optional padding and zips.

Every one of these finds a ready

sale - as do the further 60 formats Certainly Bibles tend to bring

out the best and the worst in book designers, as is clearly demonstrated by the Bible Society's range, in which superb and suitably sedate bindings jostle with the impossibly kitsch. After a time, it is difficult to differentiate one edition from another, for all are referred to by acronyms, and woe betide anyone who confuses his VUL with his BISH, let alone his NEB with his NTV.

In addition to the bestselling GNB and NIV, the Society also offers the New King James (revised authorized), the New American, the New American Standard, the Revised Standard, the Authorized Version (King James), the Jerusalem, the New Jerusalem, the Living Bible, the New Welsh. the Amplified Bible, the Moffat, the William Barclay and the J.B. Phillips, in addition to dozens of Bible studies, concordances and evangelical works.

The society alone sells from

the rest), but many, many more are sold through bookshops. Also still available and still popular is the New English Bible (OUP/CUP), although last September the presses of Oxford and Cambridge collaborated in publishing the Revised English Bible, which is the result of 15 years' scholarship and liaison with all of Britain's Christian churches as well as with the Bible Society. "When the New English Bible was published in 1970," says OUP's Nigel Lynn, "it sold out on day one. It still sells 30-40,000 copies a year." One third of a million copies of the Revised English were printed this year (100,000 for the UK), and three months on, a 50,000 UK reprint

has just been delivered. "The

titles each year (with, surprisingly, The New Welsh Bible outselling

market is really huge," says Lynn. And so it was inevitable, I suppose, that we should sooner or later be offered "the world's first hand-held electronic Bible". The sales literature for this King James version (available from Franklin Computers) goes on at length about it being "hand-held", as if unaware that this has been a feature of many Bibles for some considerable time. Armed with this miracle (so to speak), "you simply enter a key phrase or word and the unit's searching technology ogy brings the relevant chapter and verse to the large, four-line, 214-character LCD screen. Type in 'valley', 'shadow' and 'death', for example, and the 23rd Psalm appears on the screen in seconds." The men at Franklin are very eager to tell you more: "Enter lamp' and the thesaurus provides 'candle' as an option - which can in turn lead you to Matthew V:15 'neither do men light a candle and put it under a bushel . . .

At £295, Franklin sold out of their initial 200 and 250 more are selling well. All versions of the Bible sell well all of the time. Can the Bible Society offer an explana-tion? "Well," I was told disarmingly, "it is such a good book."

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A fat-free future — fat chance?

very dieter dreams of being able to gorge on Simplesse, from the American Monsanto Corporation, parent company of Nutra-Sweet, is a dairy-based fat substitute containchocolate, crisps, biscuits cakes and chips without the evidence ing egg white, condensed skimmed accumulating on the hips or in the milk, water, sugar, pectin, lecithin and citric acid. It cannot be arteries. The development of a successful low calorie, low cholesheated, but can be substituted for terol, fat substitute has long been some or all of the fat in maythe dream of the food industry.
Sugar substitutes, hailed as the onnaise-type dressings, ice-"creams", dips, "buttercream"slimming breakthrough in the 1960s, proved a problem, with style cake icings and other savoury

cancer scares (subsequently dis-

puted and, in some cases, dis-proved) over both saccharin and

cyclamates. Artificial sweeteners

also turned out to be a red herring

for those fishing for a substantial weight loss. Because of its highly concentrated calorific value, the

fat in biscuits, cakes, chocolate,

and so on is more likely to make

the sweet-toothed more plump

than the sugar they consume.

It is now widely acknowledged that fat is the major dietary culprit implicated in both overweight and heart disease. Low fat diets are

recommended not only for pa-tients with weight, heart and gallbladder problems but to counteract cancer, diabetes and a host of other ailments. Reports by both the National Advisory Com-

mittee on Nutrition Education

(NACNE) and the Committee on

the Medical Aspects of Food

(COMA) recommended a substan-

tial cut on the fat consumed in the

But cutting back on fats is not so easy. "Fat," says Professor Doug-

las Georgala, director of food research for the Agriculture and Food Research Council, "has a lubricating effect in the mouth which makes eating foods which contain it a particularly attractive sensory emergence."

sensory experience. People be-come addicted to fats, and the way

they make things, such as chocolate, melt in the mouth. Fat also

carries flavour. Its appeal should

average British diet.

or sweet spreads and desserts. "Whereas the normal Thousand Island dressing might have 70 calories a spoonful," says Penny Wright, of Daniel Edelman, the public relations company han-dling Simplesse in Britain, "one made with Simplesse would have only 25 calonies. And it tastes delicious, It has the 'mouth feel' of

But Simplesse itself will not go on to the supermarket shelves, she says, it will be available only as an ingredient to the food industry to be used in products, which will be clearly labelled.

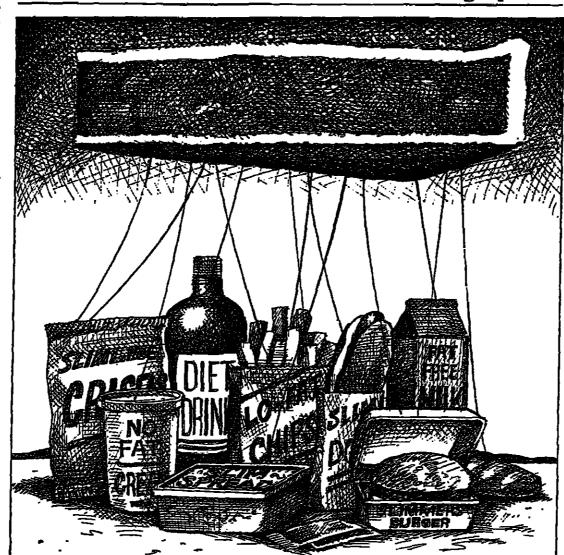
Its major rival on the horizon is Proctor & Gamble's Olestra, a non-digestible sucrose polyester, a blend of vegetable oil and sucrose chemically bonded, which can also be used for frying, baking, in soups, gravies, chocolate and most other forbidden fatty treats. Not only does it provide no calories itself, since it is not metabolized and passes through the system like the feasts of slimmers' fantasies, it is also claimed by its makers "to reduce the absorption of dietary cholesterol", which is said to dissolve in the Olestra and be carried out of the body.

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But Olestra, which seems like the answer to a fatty's prayer since it has more potential applications, is being held back from the market by the American Food and Drug Administration and Britain's Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Foods until it has been more completely investigated. completely investigated.

not be underestimated." So the announcement last A MAFF spokesperson says: "Simplesse is classed as a food month that a protein-based, low-calorie fat substitute would be because it is made of common food proteins, modified in a purely physical way, and it must merely comply with Food Act regulations. Olestra, however, is a available to the food industry this year, and could appear in British supermarkets in a dessert, salad dressing or dip before the end of 1990, seemed to herald a new age new chemical compound and is classed as a food additive which of hope for despairing dieters.

Scientists have developed "fat-free" fats that promise to put dietary danger areas back on the menu: does this mean a slim outlook for the Nineties? Alexandra King reports



needs additional approval from the Food Advisory Committee, which is looking at it now." Professor Paul Turner,

toxicologist at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, is, like Georgala, on the Food Advisory Committee, which has Olestra's fate in the balance. He is also chairman of

the MAFFS toxicity committee. Encouragingly, he envisages "no serious safety problem" in fat substitutes such as Olestra or Simplesse, but wonders about their long-term nutritional consequences if relied upon to excess. "You must remember what

happened with micro-proteins

[meat substitutes, such as Quorn, added to bulk-out products], which were originally intended to be used only as supplementary sources of protein. Now they have become the whole content of certain pies," he says.

"And not only are fats solvents which can be a vehicle for undesirable residues, but they carry the fat-soluble vitamins. The effect of eliminating fats completely from the diet would have to be watched very closely."

Georgala agrees: "Some slim-

mers are desperate people who will exceed recommendations, which is something the safety assessors have to take into ac-

In the United States, more scrious worries about the safety of Olestra have surfaced. Dr Michael Jacobson, of the Center for Science in the Public Interest, says: "We have asked the FDA not to approve Olestra because its effects have not yet been adequately studied. Usually, food additives are studied in rats and mice, and Olestra was studied only in rats until recently, when a study in

'Some slimmers are desperate people who will exceed recommendations'

mice was started which will take several years to complete.

The rat studies have indicated some potential problems such as changes in the liver - and even without a possibility of these changes causing cancer we are concerned about something that causes changes in the liver. Pituitary tumours have also been found. No one knows why, because it is not supposed to be absorbed, but lack of absorption does not always mean safety."

Since fats are solvents which carry toxins through the body (one of the reasons a fatty diet might be implicated in some types of cancer) as well as vitamins, they may still act as transporters even if they are not being absorbed,

Jacobson speculates.

A spokesman for Proctor & Gamble in Britain says that "my company is aware of these problems and has addressed them", and that "the product has been very extensively tested".

have come from obesity-obsessed America. Exceptions include the starchy maltodextrins from the British Natural Starch Company, an offshoot of Unilever, and a potato starch compound from Holland called Piselli SA2.

Olestra is unique in that it is the only one which is not metabolized, says Dr Simon Holmes, director of the Leatherhead Food Research Association, which has produced an extensive study of the literature on fat substitutes (£80 to non-members, £60 to members).

The report divides them into three categories: "The main sub-stitutes", which include Olestra, Simplesse and the early starchy, sugary substitutes such as maltodextrins, polydextrose and polyglycerol ester, which have been used in low-fat spreads and slimmers' ico-creams in Britain and America; "Newer can-didates", still largely on the draw-ing-board, such as NutriFat and Olestrin, both from the newlyformed Reach company in America, and a blend of carbohydrates and proteins; and "Other pro-posed fat substitutes", which include the waxy jojoba oil used in hair and skin preparations, and an intriguing sounding product cal-led N-Flate which, according to Holmes, is composed of starchy

When, in the 1970s, Americans were told that saccharin might cause cancer, angry dieters pro-tested against the FDA's ban, demanding the right to make their

There is no doubt that people are dying to get their mouths around fatless fatty treats, whatever the consequences. "I think it will take at least three or four years for Olestra to get through - if it does," Jacobson says. "But other companies have other chemicals already under test. Sooner or later a successful fat substitute will be

Even sooner might seem too late for some. But if it's any crumb of consolation, the 1990s have been predicted to become a decade of comfort cooking, "couch po-tatoes" and more comfortably upholstered figures.

Can women win the boardroom battle?

Fewer men will occupy executive positions by the decade's end forecasts suggest. But male bosses seem slow to get the message

etween now and 1995, 55 per cent of new professional and management jobs and 62 per cent of others will go to women, the Henley Centre of Forecasting predicts. Given this and the off-mentioned "demographic trough" - the coming shortage of school-leavers - you might expect companies to consider women, and their interests. a good investment. Not so - some mnanies still need convincing. It is difficult beyond belief to get commercial sponsorship money for women's organizations in housing, health, childcare and equal opportunities. Sport, the arts, heritage and the environment

are higher on sponsors' lists. "Companies are male-dominated at the top and 'male issue' dominated," says Michael Norton, director of the Directory of Social Change. "The biggest single recipi-ents of sponsorship are horse-

John Robbins, Trust House Forte's public relations chief, who estimates that two-thirds of THF's employees are female, confirms "We sponsor sport, mainly golf and horse-racing events. We do not sponsor any women's

functions or organizations." But Norton, believes this is about to change. "Originally, sponsors wanted 'image' and useful PR. They then discovered sponsorship was good for business enter-tainment. In the Nineties, companies will want to build loyalty, not just with consumers but with their employees." Companies have been slow to

realize the potential in sponsoring women's organizations. In 1989. Childcare Vouchers sponsored the Working Mothers' Association, and British Telecom allocated £30,000 sponsorship over three years for the 300 Group, which campaigns to get more women into

councils. The new National Alliance of Women's Organizations has been lent a financial and administrative controller by Midland Bank, and Reed Employment has provided free furnished offices.

BT says its sponsorship is not mere altruism but an acceptance that women will play a larger part in the company's success in the future. "British Telecom employs more than 65,000 women, 6,000 of them in managerial and professional jobs," lain Vallance, BT's chairman, says. "We have ex-tended job-sharing to cover most of our jobs, largely with women in mind.

"And we encourage our people, whether men or women, to take part in political and public life." Chris Kelly, group managing director of Reed Employment, says of his company: "Vacancies can be filled only by returning



Denton: how to market to women workers, most of them women.

We wanted an organization that represented their interests," Eleanor Macdonald, founder of

Women in Management, was one of the pioneers of commercial sponsorship for women. WIM's first sponsor was her former employer, Unilever. Nine years ago, she persuaded eight other companies to sponsor WIM for between £500 and £1,000 a year each. "The organization has to be credible and the sponsor has to have confidence in the person making the request," she says.

Vicky Wisher, personnel policy adviser at BP, which sponsors

'We encourage our staff - men and women - to take part in public life'

WIM, explains: "We see WIM as can be easier to attract than a useful resource. It helped us to set up Women in BP. We also sponsor Women into Science and gramme."

But even WIM receives only about £15,000 a year from 17 corporate sponsors.

What sponsors are looking for is credibility with women," says Jean Denton, a consultant for Marketing to Women and a former marketing director for Austin Rover. "If you are marketing to women, you can't just suddenly say: 'We care'. Companies hope to show they are interested in women as people not just cheque-signers."

Denton cites the example of Lombard. "Lombard markets to women through offering finance for buying cars. For nine years, Lombard has sponsored the venue for the annual fundraiser for the group, Women on the Move Against Cancer. When National & Provincial building society wanted to market its financial advice guide to women, it sponsored fringe meetings at the party conferences for the 300 Group and the Conservative Women's

Group. The publicity was good."

Sponsorship for one-off events

sponsorship for running costs. But again, it comes down to the right personal contacts in big corporae Ke

source", a successful conference organized by WIM and the Girls' Schools Association last July, ignalled the start of the growing influence of the demographic shift. Eleanor Macdonald raised £42,500 from 18 corporate sponsors, including BP, Hanson, ICI, Little-

woods and Sainsbury.

Martin Taylor, director of the Hanson Group, says the group is besieged with requests, "We're approached by 60 or 70 organizations a week. Our charitable giving and sponsorship combined is about £1 million a year. We divide commercial sponsorship from charitable giving."

Displaying a lack of communication between women's organizations and big business. Taylor adds: "We are unlikely to consider women's organizations because we mainly consider applications only when they come under the categories of health or education." In Britain, lack of personal

access to the right people in big business is one of the reasons for ignorance about women's groups.

Denton says: "The UK market has not yet recognized the power of women's influence. But the agenda for the Nineties much closer than it has ever been to a woman's agenda: concern. environment, different management styles are all areas in which

women work well" Jane Grant, director of the National Association of Women's Organizations, representing 114 women's organizations in Britain, counsels women's groups to spell out to sponsors what the organization has on offer in return for cash. such as space in their magazine and access to their members through mail lists.

So what do women's groups do with the cash when they get it? Andrea Whalley, chair of the allparty 300 Group's national executive, says: "If we are to be really effective and pay our headquarters staff sufficient wages, and do the organization's work, we need sponsorship from companies and trusts in money and kind of about £200,000 a year. And yes, we have

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• The author is founder of the 300 C Times Newspapers, 1990

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a lot to offer in return."

Join the club

The "men only" club should be an outnumbered anachronism by the end of the century, says the Business-women's Travel Club, which claims that women executives are particularly in need of the sort of safe, secure rooms that private clubs can offer. The BWTC (which, despite the title, is open to men as well as women) has been collecting horror stories on golf clubs which do not allow women to walk on uncarpeted areas and the working men's club that allows a man and his dog to go in for a drink on a Sunday lunch time, but not his wife ... In the latest issue of its newsletter, however, it lists some clubs in London and around the world which are particularly sympathetic to Women.

For membership details and other information about the BWTC contact Trisha Cochrane, BWTC, 10 Strutton Ground, London SW1P 2HP (01-222 4539).

Your destiny

Health and beauty writer Leshe Kenton has joined with a fellow American, Julia Hastings, to run Workshops with a Difference, designed to "em-power individuals to discover their own personal destiny, so that they can play an active role in the renewal and healing of the planet". All this and vegetarian meals, too, for £75 (payable in advance). The workshops promise "two days for change" and "three steps to freedom", and in addition, Kenton and Hastings, a psychotherapist specializing "stress relief and motivation", offer shorter, £15 workshops on such topics as "how to travel in the fast lane without leaving your partner behind". If you haven't turned off by now the workshops will take place on January 19 and 20 and 26 and 27 at the Quaker Meeting House, 52 St Martins Lane, London WC2M 4EA. Workshops with



Quote me . . .



"After a decade of achievement, let us herald the decade of hope." Margaret Thatcher.

Exotics show

Since setting up Ends of the Earth as a mail-order business a Difference are at 19 Fourth selling exotic wares from Cross Road, Twickenham, London TW2 5EL (01-894 around the world, Janet Willoughby has decided to hold a travelling exhibition of her

Mexican Indian carpets, Burmese wall-hangings, Thai jewellery and embroideries and weavings from West Af-Central Library Westgate, Oxford, from February 3-10, then to the Central Library in Lion

Court, Cambridge, from Catalogues are 50p at the door the Earth, PO Box 31, Hamp-(01-979 9979), which will give hibitions will be available through mail order.

First lesson

Courses for women executives has become a booming business. Costs vary from the reasonable (£15) to the ridiculous (£500) for a one-day back. Membership is £30 a event, and it can be confusing for the prospective delegate to decide which are worthwhile. The newsletter of the organiz-

is necessary even to decide which assertiveness training rica. The tour starts today at course to sign up for. Before the Central Library, The Pa-rade, Sutton Coldfield, until vises ringing the company January 13, moves to the organizing the workshop or seminar, asking to speak to former delegates, demanding copies of reports delegates have made back to their March 24 to April 7 and on to companies about training other libraries and galleries courses, or, in the case of around the country until subscribing companies, refer-December, Admission is free. ring to the National Training subscribing companies, refer-Index on 01-494 0596 which or £1 in advance from Ends of publishes reports on courses. This advice comes from ton, Middlesex TW12 2AL Ginger Irvine, director of administrative programmes further information on future for Monadnock International, venues. All items at the ex- which runs numerous training courses and is happy to provide such information (01-871 2546). Further information can be obtained from Women In Management at 64 Marryat Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 5BN (01-946 1238), which runs courses of its own

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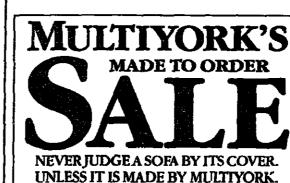
year, £35 for new members.

Who will satisfy the decade's hunger?

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Undoubtedly there are now more estimable establishments are in the wrong hands. restautants in the UK than ever before, Jonathan Mendes writes in The Times on about despite the big chains. Chain ownership the 1980s, he says, may well become the probably unbridgeable gap - everyday imaginative and the prices reasonable.

Meades' hopes lie in building up the middle ground of 1990s restaurants, starting with the Saturday. But he maintains that this has come ill-named winebar. What began as a tributary in is the British norm, the way that family mainstream for the decade. He visits such a ownership is the French norm, and therein lies "middle" restaurant and finds the menn





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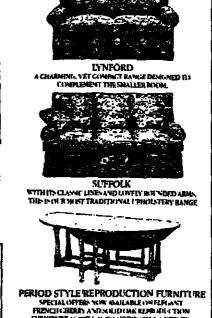
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* 'ALLO 'ALLO: Last chance to see the Queen Murn's favourite show on stage. Pitch your expectations low. Until Jan

27. Palisdium Theatre, Argyle St, London Wt (01-437 7373). Tube: Oxford Circus. Mon-Fri 8pm. Sat 8.30pm, Mats Wed 2.45pm and Sat 5.30pm, 23.75-216.50. * ASPECTS OF LOVE: Lloyd Webber musical based on a David Garnett musical based on a David Garnett novella: many dull patches. Prince of Wales Theatre, Coventry St. (01-839 5972, Mon-Pri 7.45pm, Sat

★ BARNABY AND THE OLD BOYS: JRI Gascoine, Keith Baxtur, Jermiter Hillary in Baxter's interesting though over-sentimental drama of Welsh prejudice. Vaudeville Theetire, Strand, WC2 (01-

836 9987). Tube: Charing Cross. Mon-Fri 7.45pm, Sat 8.15pm, mats Thurs 2.30pm and Sat 4.30pm, 27-215. * BLOOD BROTHERS: Willy Russell's timental musical: separated twins troyed by the English class system; lets Richards as their mother.

Albery Theetre, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (01-867 1115). Tube: Lelcester Square. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.45pm, mats Thurs 3-6pm, and Set 4-7pm, £6.80-£18.50. (0) d: FUNNY PECULIAR: Robin Kermode, Hilary Crowson, Jilly Johnson in cheering revival of Mike Stott comedy about how to ginger up a stale marriage. Mermaid Theatre, Puddle Dock, EC4 (01-236 5568). Mon-Thurs 8pm. Fri and Sat 9pm. Mats Fri and Sat 6.30pm, 26.50-213.50.

(01-225 1976). Tube: Highbury and islingson. Previews from tonight, 7.45-10pm. Opens Jan 10, 7.15-9.30pm, then Tues-Sat 7.45-10pm, mats Sat 3.30-5.45pm and Sun 3-5.15pm. Tues, Wed and mats £7; Thurs Fri and Sat eve 28. Dinner 6.45pm (Jan 10 6.15pm, £7).

★ JEFFREY BERNARD IS UNWELL: Peter O'Toole gives his best and furnilest performance in years as the well-known man-about-Soho locked into his favourite pub overnight and meeting

figures from his past. Apollo Theetre, Shaftesbury Ave, W1 (01-437 2663). Tube: Piccadiby Circus. Mon-fri 8.30pm, and Sat 8.45pm, Sat mat 5.30pm, 25-215.



Elizabeth Quinn (above), the hearing-impaired actress who won an Olivier Award for her performance Lesser God in 1983, leads Christopher Hampton's new adaptation of Ibsen's Hedda Gabler, which previews at the King's Head Theatre, Islington, from tonight and opens on January 10 (see listing). Playing Eilert Levborg is Richard O'Callaghan, with whom Elizabeth Quina has been living for the past nine years. Tony Anholt, Margery Mason, Timothy Bentinck, Lucinda Gane and Valerie Lilley complete the cast. directed by Rena Down.

★ THE LADY OR THE TIGER: Great family show for Christmes: revival of the Orange Tree's favourits musical based on the old dilemma; smashing tunes. Orange Tree Theatre, Kew Rd, Richmond (01-940 3633). Tube: Richmond, Weekday mats on Jan 4, and 5, 2.30pm. Sat mats 4.30pm, 23.50-28.50.

☆ THE LIAR: Jonathan Miler's spirited production of the sparky Cornellie comedy: Alex Jennings marvellous as the shyster hero and Deemond Barrit as his incredulous servant.
Old Vic Theetre, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-928 7616). Tube: Waterloo Mon-Fri, 7.30pm, Sat 7.45pm, mats Wed 2.30pm and Sat 4pm, £7-£15.

A LIFE IN THE THEATRE: Deninoim Ellott and Samuel West in Mamet's study of an old actor and his ambilion funior: the players stronger than the ptey. Strand Theatre, Akhwych, WC2 (01-836 2650). Tube: Covent Garden. Tues-Sat 8pm, Mets Thurs, Sat and Sun 4-30pm, £9-£16.50.

★ LETTICE AND LOVAGE: Carole

Scheller and Lovace Carole
Schaller's long-running comedy in
which two unlikely partners wageecontric war against the modern world.
Globe Theetre, Shaltesbury Ave, W1
(01-487-3667). Tube: Piccadiay Circus.
Mon-Sat, 7-45-10.15pm, mat Sat 3-**☆ LONDON ASSURANCE:** Paul

Eddington plays the ageing rate and Angela Thorne the unforgettably name Lady Gay Spanker in Sam Mendes's stylish production from Chichester. Theatre Royal, Haymarket, London Theatre Reyal, Haymartes, London SW1 (01-930 9832). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10.10pm, mats Thurs 3-5.10pm and Sat 4-6.10pm, 26-216. (D) **☆ OUR COUNTRY'S GOOD:** Triple

award-winning play by Timberlake Wertenbaker, set in New South Wales westernature, set in rew Soum waters 200 years ago where a betch of convicts are ordered to become actors. Garrick Theatre, Charing Cross Rd, EC2 (01-379 6107). Tube: Lelcester Sq. Mon-Thurs 8-10-20pm, Fri and Set 8.15-10.35pm, mets Fri and Set 5-7-20pm, \$7.50-215.

☆ PRIN: Commanding performance by Shella Hancock as a rude, snobbish, autocratic college principal with principles you have to admire. Lyric Theathe, Shaftesbury Ave, W1 (01-457 368), Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, mat Sat 4.30-7pm, £5-£15.

A SLICE OF SATURDAY NIGHT:
Transfer of hit show from the King's
Head that catches the sound and feeling
of a night out in 1984; clever songs by
the Heather Brothers.
Arts Theatre, Gt Newport St, WC2 (01836 2132). Tube: Leicester Square.
Mon-Thurs 8pm, Fri and Set 6pm and
8.45pm, 27.50-217.50.

OUT OF TOWN

SRISTOL: A Officer Twist: Poorhouse boy asks for more, steals a hankle but finds happiness in new stage version by Jeremy Brock. Theetre Royal, King Street, 7.30pm, 24-211 (0272 250250).

LIVERPOOL: ** Great Expectations: Cheryl Kennedy sings Miss Havisham, Robert Hands and Tracy Childs play the troubled young lovers, in musical version of Dickens.

Playhouse, Williamson Square, 7.30pm, 21.75.90 (051.709.9353) 21-26.90 (051 709 8363).

FILMS

M Also on national release **22** Advance booking possible BACK TO THE FUTURE II (PG): Enjoyably antic but over-ingenious sequel to the 1985 hit, with Michael J Fox and Christopher Lloyd zipping to-and-fro through the time spectrum; directed as before by Robert Zemeckis

(108 min). Cannon Baicer Street (01-935 9772). 28 Cannon Fulhern Road (01-370 2636).

Progs 2.15, 6.15, 9.15. (Closed Sun). Empire (01-437 1234). Progs 1.15, 3.45, 8.15, 8.45. Late Fri, Sat 11.15. Screen on the Green (01-226 3520). Progs 2.00 (Set only), 4.10, 6.30, 8.50. Whiteley's 2 (01-792 3303). Progs 11.00, 11.30, 1.30, 2.00, 4.30, 7.05, 7.15, 9.40.

Unfortunate foursome



The discovery three years ago in Shropshire of the skeletons of four mammoths completely overturned the previously held belief that these "elephants of the northern hemisphere" left our shores 18,000 years ago, when the English Channel was little more than a river. Subsequent research has proved that the genus was still in Britain nearly 5,000 years later. Had not the unfortunate foursame fallen into a "kettle" - a steep sided pie-shaped post glacial feature - scientists would not have been able to date so accurately; the skeletons were the most complete and well preserved remains ever found in Europe. Photographs of the mammoths' pelvises were sent to a professor at the Academy of Sciences at Leningrad. He was able to

■ BATMAN (12): Michael Kaaton's Caped Crusader combats Jack Nicholson's outrageously avil Joker. Visually diverting, but dramatically undernourished. Tim Burton directs (128

min). 28 Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 12.10, 2.45, 5.30, 8.30.

EARTH GIRLS ARE EASY (PG): A spaceship eager for female deligits crashes in Los Angeles: cue for a wild, nude, modish musical comedy from

rude, modish musical comedy from Absolute Biginners director Julian Temple. With Geens Davis, Jeff Goldburn (100 mins). Cannon Oxford Street (01-630 0310) Prince Charles (01-437 8181)

FIELD OF DREAMS (PG): Overly cosy Americana, with Kevin Costner as a farmer encouraged by a celestial voice to use his comfield for a baseball pitch.

Directed by Phil Aiden Robinson (106

Censon Fulham Road (01-370 2636). Progs 2.15, 6.15, 9.10. Censon Haymarket (01-839 1527).

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Whiteley's Bayewater (01-792 \$303). Progs 6.30, 9.00 (not Sun).

INDIANA JONES AND THE LAST CRUSADE (PG): Indy (Harrison Ford)
hunts for his missing dad (Sean
Connery); a satisfying blend of character
and action, directed by Steven

Spielberg. (127 min). Cannon Belker Street (01-935 9772). Progs 2.00, 5.00, 8.00. Late Fri, Set 11.00.

Plaza (01-200 0200). Progs 12.30, 3.05, 5.45, 8.30. Late Fri, Sat 11.15.

■ LETHAL WEAPON 2 (15): Dynamic sequel to the 1987 hit, with Mel Gibson

and Danny Glover as the psychopathic cop and side-lick pursuing drug-smuggling diplomats. Directed as before by Richard Donner (113 min)

ze Warner West End (01-439 0791). Progs 12.45, 3.20, 5.55, 8.30. Late Fri, Sat 11.10.

ELICENCE TO KILL (15): Timothy Dalton returns as James Bond on a mission of vengeance in Latin America. A superior adventure directed by John

Gien (113 min). 25 Ptaza (01-200 0200). Progs 12.15, 3.00, 5.45, 8.30. Late Fri, Sat 11.55.

SHIRLEY VALENTINE (15): Warm-hearted film with the popular touch;

state that the adult mammeth was male, stood 11ft oins to the shoulder and at 32 was in the prime of life and the offspring — one male, one female and one "don't know" were all under six years old. A new exhibition at Preston includes life-size models of the parent mammoth and one of its "bables" and invites visitors to reflect on the possible parallels between the extinction of the mammoth and its currently threatened cousin, the elephant. The Mighty Mammoth Show opens today at the County and Regimental Museum, Preston, Lancashire (0772 264075) and runs until July 2. Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2pm-5pm. Adult £1.50, child 75p.

Pauline Collins repeats her stage role as the Liverpool housewife rediscovering romance (109 min).
Empire (01-200 0200). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.00, 8.30 (not Sun). Lafe Fri, Set 11.15. at Cannon Fulham Reed (01-370 688). Whiteley's Bayswater (01-792 3303). 11.15, 2.00, 4.30, 7.00, 9.25.

CONCERTS

* RUSSIAN EVENING: Sir Charles Tr. NUSSIAN EVENUES ST Chemes
Mackettas conducts the Royal Liverpool
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Prince Igor, the original version of
Tchalifovsky's Roccoo Variations
(Steven Issertis, cello), Museorgsky's
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Exhibition.

Philhermonic Hell, Hope St. Liverpool (051 709 3789), 7.30pm, 24-210.50. ★ SCHUBERT 9, WOLF 8: Andreas the Schulbert is, wruth as minutes Schulert, eight by Wolf, and Geoffrey Schulert, eight by Wolf, and Geoffrey Parsons accompanies them all. Wignere Hell, 36 Wignere St. London W1 (01-835 2141), 7.30pm, 24.50-29.

GALLERIES

MODERN SCULPTURE: A mixed show including pieces by Jacob Epstein and Kennern Armitage.
Chapman Gallery, 103 Gloucester Piace, London W1 (01-224 1874), by appointment, free, until Jan 31. THE GLORY OF THE GOLDSMITH: Gold and silverwere from the 16th to 19th centuries from the Al-Talir Collection.

839 9060), Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, Sat-Sun 2-5pm, free, until Jan 21. ANA MARIA PACHECO: Paintings and aculptures of misproportioned, inscrutable figures by a Brazilian artist. Comertiouse, 70 Oxford St. Mancheste (061 226 7621), Tues-Sun noon-8pm, free, until Jan 21.

KEITH VAUGHAN (1912-1977): Oils, watercolours and drawings by a Neo-Romantic figure and landscape painter. Austin/Desmond Fine Art, 15a Bloomsbury Sq. London WC1 (01-242 4443). Mon-Fri 10.30am-6.30pm, Sat 10am-12.30pm, free, until Jan 6. LYNN CHADWICK: New works by a

sculptor who came to prominence in the

1950s with spindly bronze figures informed by Cold War anxiety.

Marthorough Fine Art, 6 Albamarie St, London WT (01-629 5161), Mon-Pri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-12.30pm, free, until Jan 27.

LEONARD ROSOMAN RA: Paintings

DANCE

* DANSES CONCERTANTES:

★ CARMINA BURANA: Youth dance project -- 50 London schoolchildren directed by Royston Maldoom.
The Place, Duke's Rd, London WC1 (01-387-0031) 7.30pm £3.50.

from 1939-45 by an official war artist. The Fine Art Society, 137 George St, Edinburgh (03) 220 6370), Mon-Fri 9.30am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-1pm, free, until Jan 13.

MacMillan's first professional work for Sadiers Wells Royal Ballet, with other early places, Las Hermanas, and Softeire. Sadler's Welle Theetre, Rosebery Ave, London EC2 (01-278-8196) 7.30pm, 24-

* THE NUTCRACKER: Peter

Tchalkovsky's work for English National Ballet. Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928-8800), 2-30pm and 7-30pm, 25-219.50.

OPERA

THE LOVE FOR THREE ORANGES: Richard Jones's outstanding Prototlev production continues its run to high accisin, now conducted by Martin

Handley.
English National Opers, Coliseum, St. Martin's Lans, London WC2(01-836 3161) 7.30-9.45pm, 23-233. ↑ TOSCA: Revival of lan Judge's challenging production for Opera North, now with Janice Calms in the title role. @rand Theatre, Leeds (0532 456351) 7.15-10.30pm, 25-221.

* DIE PLEDERMAUS: Scotlish Opera enjoys a lively revival of Simon Callow's production as it returns for New Year, Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041-331 1234). 7.15-10-30pm, 23-225.50.

ROCK

★ PAUL McCARTNEY: A dezzling show which calebrates the Beatles' heritage which celebrates the Beatles' herit as much as it showcases new mat from this year's comparatively impressive Flowers in the Dirtatium. NEC, Birmingham (021 790 4133) 7.30pm, £19.30, also Fri, Sat, Mon and Tues.

** BON JOYL: The undisputed kings of heavy rock, still touring the awesomely successful New Jersey album. Support is the promising Dan Reed Network, a young, multi-racial five-place from Oregon whose Nile Rogers-produced second album, Sierz, is a beguiling concetton of modern herd rock with an unusually funky edge.

Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Middlesex (01-902 1234) 7.30pm, 213-214, also tomorrow. £14, also tomorrow.

* CHRIS REA: A comfortable, middleaged man every inch a star for these adult orientated, CD-enriched times. BIC, Exeter Rd, Bournemouth (0202 297297) 7.30pm, £11.50-£13.50.

JAZZ

* IAIN BALLAMY: The Loose Tubes saxophonist plays numbers from his outstanding debut album Balloon Man. Diango Bates (keyboards), Steve Watts (base) and Mertin France (drums) complete the quartet. Jazz Cafe, 56 Newington Green, London N16 (01-359

* TONNITY SMITH: Recipient of much publicity in 1989, the ascetic, Beridee-trained sucophonist brings his quartet to the capital's newest jazz venue. Double Bess, 162-164 Earls Court Rd. London SW5 (01-835 2021), 8pm, 27.50.

☆ GEORGIE FAME: In residence until Saturday, the singer-plenist performaterial including a tribute to the trumpeter Chet Baker.
Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith St. London W1 (01-439 0747) 9.30pm, £10 (members £2).

OTHER EVENTS

HOLIDAY ON ICE 1990: Opening day for the 42nd edition of the most spectacular ice show in the country. Brighton Centre, King's Rd, Brighton. Today until Jan 21, evenings and matinees. Adults 25.75-28.50, children under 16 half price. Box office (0273 2028):1

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South Bank Concert Halls, London SE1 (01-928 8800), Tel/personal booking (01-928 8800). Tel/personal booking

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photographers and a video maker explore development of Anglo-Asian cuture. Ends Sun. City Art Gallery, The Headrow, Leeds (0532 462495).

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WALLACE WILSON: Witty and idiosyncratic images revealing surreal interpretatio of American urban scene Ends Sat.

son; Opera: Hilary Finch; Reck: David Sinclair, Jazz: Clive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks; Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Beekings: Anne Whitehouse; Winter Sales: Nicole

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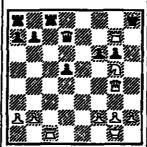
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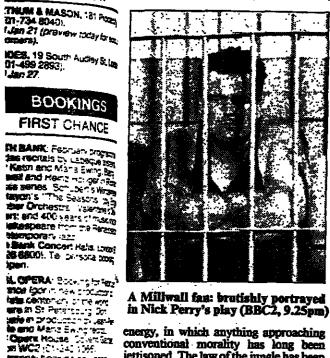
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• Struggling near the foot of the First Division, Miliwali football club could probably do without the publicity of Arrivederci Miliwall (BBC2, 9.25pm), even if it is set back in 1982. The timing is deliberate, that being the year of both the World Cup in Spain and the Falklands war. Nick Perry's play links the two, as a bunch of Millwall fans happily take on board Argie-bashing xenophobia and one of the fans reacts to the death of his brother in the south Atlantic. Arriverderci Millwall was first performed on stage in 1985 and won Perry, a student of the National Film and Television School, the Samuel Beckett Award. Its transfer to television marks the start of a series of dramas made by directors new to the small screen, in this case Charles McDougall, another prod-uct of the NFTS. If the purpose of the piece was to highlight the mindless thuggery of some football supporters, it succeeds only too well. Perry's uninhibited script is so convincingly acted that the cast could well have been recruited straight from the terraces. Arrivederci Millwall throbs with a raw and bloody



A Miliwall fas: brutishly portrayed in Nick Perry's play (BBC2, 9.25pm)

energy, in which anything approaching conventional morality has long been jettisoned. The law of the jungle has been transposed to south London, and any ordinary law-abiding member of the public had better watch out. The trouble property of the state of the st pathize with. Perhaps he is trying to make the point that the roughing up by the Spanish police is not a second wrong CM PROCETOR Expert that makes a right. I doubt whether many • There can hardly be a greater contrast between Arrivederci Millwall and the placid, well-ordered world of John Thaw's Inspector Morse (ITV, 8.00pm). Back for a new series of two-hour mysteries, the self-effacing Morse has become one of television's unlikely stars, attracting audiences of up to 15 million Figure Coards Ma people. Perhaps the public appreciates a Opera. Har Far is policeman who is not only honest but cultured enough to listen to classical music and a police series that eschews car chases and football fan violence, Tonight's offering, involving skeletons in an Oxford cupboard, co-stars Cheryl Campbell who has been away from the television screen for far too long.

6.00 Ceefax
6.30 BBC Breakfast News with Laurie
Mayer and Nicholas Witchell with
regular news headlines, analysis
and interviews, business news, sport,
regional news, travel and
weather, and a review oftne daily
newspapers by Paul Callan, 8.55
Regional news and weather
9.00 News and weather followed by
Children's BBC, presented by Lisa
Jones and Andi Peters, beginning
with Jimbo and the Jet Set (r) 9.10
The Charlie Brown and Sneopy
Show 9.30 Fame and Misdortune.
Episode five of the six-part
Australian drama starring Kylie
Minogue, about the struggle to
make dreams come true

10.00 News and weather followed by

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Why Don't You . . ? Entertaining
ideas for young people with time
on their hands 10.30 Playdays. With
Eithne Haranigan and lain
Lauchian (r) 10.55 Five to Eleven.
Iain Cuthbertson with a reading
11.00 News and weather followed by
Head of the Class. Chartle asks his
class of prodigies to imagine what
life will be like in the year 2050 11.35
Paddles Up. Heat three of the
international canoeing event from

international canceling event from Liangolen, North Wales

12.00 News and weather followed by MacGyver. The Human Factor. Mac is charged with the task of testing is charged with the task of testing a unique security system which uses robots. Unfortunately, the system develops a mind of its own and traps its creator, the beautiful Jill. Starring Richard Dean Anderson. (Ceefax) 12.55 Regional news

(Cestax) 12.30 regional news and weather 1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. Weather 1.30 Neighbours. Henry is upset, but his price keeps him away from Brohwyn. (Cestax) 1.50 Carry on Ice. Ex-los-skating champion losh Curv demonstrates (nuble

on ton. Ex-to-skiting champion
John Curry demonstrates double
jumps and spins
i Peter the Great. Episode two of
the four part serial and Peter's victory
over the Turks precipitates a
fateful encounter with the beautiful
Catherine, Starring Maximilian
Schell, Omer Sharif, Laurence Olivier,
Ursula Andress, Vanessa
Raddraws and Hanne Schwoulia (r) 2.15 P

Redgrave and Hanna Schygulia (r) 3.50 Dooby Duck's Disco (r) 3.55 flupert the Base (r) 4.00 Mick and Mac. Michael Barrymore and David Jarvis start a new comedy David Jarvis start a new comedy series adapted from the comicstrip. The Macs. Barrymore plays a comic-strip artist who brings to fife his animased family called the Macs and live under the road on a dist of tar 4.10 New Adventures of Mighty Mouse 4.25 Jacksnory. Victoria Wood with part two of Alian Ahlberg's Ten in a Bed 4.35 Teenage Mutant Hero Turties. New series about teenagers with a mission to protect the world from the forces of evil

5.00 Newsround 5.10 Little Sir
Nicholas. Episode one of a new
drama serial about a young West
Country boy's right for his inheritance during Victorian times 5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford

5.00 Six O'Clock News with Anna Ford and Chris Lowe. Weather
6.30 Newsroom South East
7.00 Wogan with Willie Rushton, Irma Kurtz, Professor Heinz Wolff and Auberon Waugh
7.40 Family Mattera. New series in which John Humphrys and a team of reporters examine issues that could affect many people in their

reporters examine assues trait could affect many people in their everyday lives. It includes a film report followed by a studio discussion. The first programme in the series looks at the issue of child abduction.

8.10 Dalias. The Ewings are back and Sue Ellen is blackmailing JR; Cliff Bernes is hunting for Afton 2000er: Abril has an u

cooper; April has an timelicome visitor and Bobby and JR are at war with Carter McKay. (Ceefax)

3.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. Regional news and weather

9.30 Q.E.O: The Steroid Myth. This first of a new series examines the myths correction controller.

surrounding anabolic steroids 10.00 Film: Marathon Man (1976) starring Dustin Hoffman and Laurence Olivier. A Nazi war criminal searches for a cache of diamonds which were in the care of his late brother and a young New York student finds himself in the row succent mos nameer in me middle of a deadly plot at the centre of which is the evil Nazi known as the White Angel. Their paths are destined to cross. Directed by John Schlesinger. (Ceefax) 8.25 The Third Man (b/w) (r) 8.50 Buck Rogers (b/w) 9.05 Flesh Gordon Conquers the Universe

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(b/w) 9.25 Firm: Follow the Fleet (1936, b/w) Rank: Postor the Place (1930, DW) starring Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers. "Bake" Baker joins the nevy when his girlfmend walks out on him. Directed by Mark Sandrich.

(Ceefax)
11.10 Herrag, the Herring Gulf. A
documentary film following the first
five years in the life of a herring
gulf on the uninhabited island of

Stage Holm (r)

12.10 A Year in the Life: Twenty Years
On. David and Sonia were married 20 years ago, shortly before the arrival of their first child, and their future looked bleak. Today they re-wew the film about them made at

future looked bleak. Today they re-view the film about them made at that time

1.00 Bertha (r) 1.15 The Historyman (r)
1.20 Sengs of Praise from Ali Saints' Church, Merlow, Buckinghamshire (r)

2.00 News and weather followed by Gourny File (r) 2.25 Lady in Black. Con McCann and his traditional saling boat (r)

3.00 News and weather followed by "Madness" in the Air, Simon "Madness" in the Air, Simon "Madness" Mead, Solo Hawk Display Pilot of 1989, in an exhibition of his skills (r) 3.25 Songs of Armenia 3.50 News and weather 4.00 Catchword hosted by Paul Coxa 4.30 The Royal institution Carlstones Lectures. Professor Charles Taylor traces the development of the modern keyboard

5.30 Holiday 90 (r) (Ceefax)

6.00 DEF II begos with The invisible Man starring David McCallum (r)

6.50 Fine Young Cannibals --Live at the Paramount Concert Hall in Seattle 7.60 Double Dutch. The "Dynamic Forces" are New York's champons at Double Dutch, in which trains rap. clap and recite

"Dynamic Forces" are New York's champions at Double Dutch, in which teams rap, clap and recite poems as they skip double ropes 8.10 Timewatch. Henry Lincoln investigates the myth of the "Man in the Iron Mask" (r)

9.00 M*A*S*H. Charles returns from Tollog traveling to be bed a coort time. Tokyo knowing he had a good time but unable to remember what

happened (r)

9.25 Arrivederci Millwall (see Choice)

10.15 10 x 10: Markhelm. A tale of the supernatural by Robert Louis

Supernatural by Hobert Louis
Stavenson

10.30 Newsnight 11.15 Weather

11.20 Heavy Metal Heaven. A profile of
Sheffield band Def Leppard

12.20mm Film: Detective Story (1951
b/w) starring Kirk Douglas and
Eleanor Parker. Over-zeelous
detective Jim McLeod humts for an
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CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Channel Four Daily
9.25 Sesame Street 10.25 The
Adventures of Tintin 10.35 The
Betmen (b/w)
10.85 Film: Turkey Time (1933, b/w). A
Ben Travers comedy starring Tom
Walls and Raiph Lyrin. Directed
by Tom Walls.

by Tom Wats. 12.10 Film: The Three Little Bears (1935, b/w). Comedy starring the Three Stooges. Directed by Def

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Sprint Champonship 1989 (r)
2.00 Return to Bewdley. A profile of
Bewdley, the main station on the
Severn Valley Railway, during a
typical autumn day (r)
2.30 Gnostics. The first of a four-part
senes (r) 3.30 Sleeping Beauty
3.40 The Oprah Winfrey Show.
Survivors of shipwrecks tell their
stories

Stories

5.00 Children from Many Countries. As Long As He Can Count the Cows.
The story of a small boy, Ugey,
who lives in the Himatayas (r)

8.30 Flight over Spain, Valladolid from

the air. (Oracle)
6.00 Paradise on Earth: The Light of Knowledge (r)
6.30 A Different World. Comedy

(Oracle)
7.00 Channel Four News with Jon Snow and Sonia Ruseter, (Oracle)
7.50 Comment followed by Weather
8.00 Brookside. Sinbad tries to

8.00 Brookside. Sinbad tries to impress Caroline by becoming a yuppie. (Oracle)
8.30 Dispetches. A report on the race between archaeologists and footers to discover and claim Mayan civilization anteracts
9.15 Signalis: Anything for a Quiet Life. The Théâtre de Complicité company in a comedy about business backstabbing (n. (Oracle)
10.15 Short and Curilies: Making Waves. A young man joins a group of old ladies on a trip to the seaside.
Starring Shella Hancock and Kenneth

Starring Shella Hancock and Kennet Cranham 19.30 Tanita Tikaram — Ancient Heart.

A profile of the singer 11.35 Halfway to Paradise. Arts and entertainment from Scotland Sam Up Your Arts. A compilation of Club X perfrmances

1.00 Johnny Staccato: The Only Witness (b/w). John Cassavetes stars as the jazz musician turned stars as the jazz musical turned detective who is sent to watch over the sister of a racketser.

Followed by Might of Jeopardy (b/w). Men are counting counterfeit bills when they are warned that Tressury officials are about to mount a raid. Ends at 2.00

BBC1 WALES: 6.30pm-7.00 Wales Today
12.05pm-12.10 News and weather
\$COTLAMB: 6.30pm-7.00 Reporting Scotland
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SKY NEWS

News on the hour from 5,00am 5,30am European Business Channel 6,00 World Business Report 10,30 BMTV Good Health 11,30 Cur World 12,30pm NBC Today 1,30 NBC Today 2,30 Beyond 2000 3,30 BMTV Good Health 4,30 Our World 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Beyond 2000 7-30 The Reporters 8-30 Frank Bough Interview 9-30 Newsine 10-30 The Reporters 11-30 NBC Nightly News 12-30am Frank Bough Interview 1-30 Newsine 2-30 The Reporters 3-30 Frank Bough Interview 4-30 Newsine

SKY MOVIES

From 8.00mm The Satellite Shop 2.00pm Little Miss Perfect: A teenage girl developes bulkmis nervose 3.00 Dusty - Episode 2: The adventures of a young dingo pup continue 4.00 Ringo Ridea West (1982): The animated story of a cowboy kriteri 5.00 Assop's Fables: "The Tortoise and

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6.00 Eddie and the Cruisers (1983):
True story based on the charismatic 1960s
rock 'n' roll band
7.40 Entertainment Tenight
8.00 Windy City (1984): Comedy-drama.
in the style of The Big Chill
10.00 Nioney Movers (1978): A team
organises a million collar robbery
11.45 Marie — A True Story (1985): A
woman's single-handed strucole n 1140 meme - A True Story (1965): A woman's single-handed struggle 1.45am Crazy Mema (1975): Cloris Leachman plays Melba, a tearaway with an unhappy past. Ends 5.40am

FUROSPORT

5.00am World Business Report 5.30 European Business Channel 6.00 DJ Kat Show 8.30 Menu 9.00 Eurosport — What a Year! 10.00 Beskerball 1989 11.00 Indoor Handbell Super Cup 12.00 Havoc 8 1.00pm WWF Superstars of Wrestling '90 2.00 Best of the Year 3.00 Volleyball 4.00 Cycling World Cup Classics 5.00Tennis: Grand Prix Finals 6.00 Trans World Sport 7.00 Indoor Handbell Super Cup 8.00 Paris — Dakar Rally 9.00 Tennis: Lendi v McEnroe 10.00 Paris - Dakar Raily 10.15 World Cup Football 11.15 Surfing Special 12.15am Paris-Dakar Raily

MTV

5.30am Club MTV 6.00 Kristiane Backer 10.30 MTV at the Movies 11.00 Remote Control 11.30 XPO 12.30 Kristiane Backer 1.00 Marcel Vanthilt 4.00 3 from 1 4.15 Marcel Vanthilt 5.00 Remote Control 5.30 Club MTV 6.60 Ray Cokes 8.00 MTV at the Movies 8.30 US Top 20 10.00 Malken Wexo 1.00as Videos

SCREENSPORT

7,00am Boxing 8.30 Rugby League 10.00 Review of '89 Sports Car Championships 11.00 US College Basketball 12.30pm ice Hockey 2.30 US College Basketball 4.00 Spain Spain Sport 4.15 Spenish Soccer 6.00 US Professional Boxing; Update 7.30 Spanish Soccer 9.15 Ice Skating 10.00 Boxing 11.30 Skiing 12.00 **Powersports**

10.00am Jake's Fitness Minute 10.01 Search for Tomorrow 10.25 Fashion File 10-35 Wok with Yan 11-00 Lifest Coffee Break 11.10 Edge of Night 11.35 The Great American Gameshows 12.50pm What's New 12.55 Sally Jessy Raphael 1.50 Skyways 2.40 Search for Tomorrow 3.05 Lifestyle Teabreak 3.15 The Detectives 4.05 Jack Thompson Down Under 4.35 Lifestyle Plus 4.45 The Great American Gameshows

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and NAW ews on the half-hour from 30pm until 8.30pm then at 10.00

an Jakki Brambies 7.30 Nicky Campbell 10.00 Simon Bates 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Gery Davies 4.00 Steve Wright 6.30 McCartney on McCartney 7.30 The New Year Concerts Symph Sept 8.30 Concerts: Simply Red 8.30 John Peel 10.30-2.00am Richard

RADIO 2

CLERZON MATERIA FM Stereo and MW News on the hour Headlines **5.30cm**, **6.30**, **7.30**, **8.30** 4.00am Alex Lester 5.30 Vivien Stuart 7.30 Chris Stuart Viving State 7.30 Chris Shart 9.30 Wendy Richard 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm David Jacobs 2.00 Clairs Rayner 3.30 Adrian Love 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 Jim Lloyd with folk 9.00 Listen to the Band 10.00 Uncle Mont's Morth Charles 40.05 Mort's North Country 19.15 Mort's North Country 19.15 Mary O'Hara' sings (new series) 10.30pen Hubert Gregg 11.00 Round Midnight 1.00em. Nightride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

WORLD SERVICE

5.00em Morgermagazin 5.35 News in German, Haadines in English and French 5.47 Sports News 5.55 French Invested News 5.85 Viseather and Travel News 6.90 Newscash 6.30 Londres Math 7.00 World News, 7.00 24 Hours, News Survinery and Financial News 7.30 Development 90 8.00 News 8.03 World Resiew of the British Press 9.15 The World Today 9.30 Financial News; Sports Rounday, 9.45 Agams; the Grain 10.00 News Survinery 10.01 Omnibus 10.30 Juzz for the Asistan 11.15 Country Style 11.30 Londres Midi 12.00 Newsreel 12.15pm Alters of the Harp 12.25 Sports Rounday 1.00 News 1.92 24 Hours; News Summery 1.00 News Survinery 1.00 News 1.00 24 Hours; News Summery 1.00 News 1.00 Developmen 90 2.20 Outsook, opening with World News 2.30 Off the Shelf: The Captain's Gauginer 2.45 Business teatures 3.01 temperal 1.15 Poems by Post 3.30 Yeo Cheers for 1989 4.00 News 4.09 News 2.000 Ritisan 4.15 ENTERTALLE ADVERTEE THE TIME ADVERTIN 245 Sestimate Matters 3.00 Newsres for 1989
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RADIO 3

6.55am Weather and News Headlines 7.00 Les Nations: Musica Antiqua Cotogne under Reinhard Goebel performs Francols Couperin's Second Sulte, L'Espagnole

7.30 News.
7.35 Morning Concert: Purcell (Timon of Athens: English Baroque Soloists and the Monteverol Choir under John Ellot Gardiner, with Gillian Fisher, soprano, Lymne Dawson, soprano, Rogers Covey-Crump, tenor. Paul Elliott, tenor, Michael George, bass, Stephen Vercoe, bass, Stephen Vercoe, bass, C.P.E. Bach (Concerto in Diminor, Wig 22: Ameserdam Baroque Orchestra under Koopman, with Konfad blimbater facts. Koopman, with Kontad Koopman, with Kontad Hümisler, fluts); Boyce (Symphony No 4 in F: English Concert with Trevor Pinnock, harpsichord)

8.30 News. 8.35 Composers of the Week: Hector Berlioz 9.35 Enesco: Dixtour for wind instruments (Lausanne CO under Lawrence Foster); Romanian Rhapsody No 1 (Dalias Symphony Orchestra under Eduardo Mata)

10.15 Bach Sonetas: György Pauk (violin) and János Sebestyen (harpsichord) perform Bach (Sonetas in E. BWY 1016; in G. BWY 1019)

1.00 Midweek Choice: Vivaldi (Beatus vir, RV 597: ECO under Vittorio Negri, with the John Alidis Choir, Margaret Marshall, soprano, Ann Murray, mezzocontraito, Anthony Rolfs Johnson, tenor, Robert Holl, bass); Richard Strauss Hobson, piano); Chabrier (España: Royal Philhermonic Orchestra under Thomas Beecham); Howelts (Plano Quartet in A minor, Op 21: Richerds Pleno Quartet, with Bernard

Roberts, piano); Mozari (Sympnony No 29 in A: New Philharmonie under Otto Klemperert; Jonann Strauss

(son) (Figuro Polica, Op 320: Berlin Symptony Orchestra under Robert Stolz) 1.05 For a Later Age: The seventh of nine programmes featuring Beetnoven's pieno music. The Lindsay Quartet perform Beethoven's Divertimento for strike vertenento for string trio Observation to string the in E flat, Op 3; String Cusartet in C minor, Op 18 No 4; String Cusartet in B flat, Op 130, incl 2-16

3.00 Record Reveiw: Building a Library: Schubert's Octat with David Murray. David Fanning reviews new plano discs. Record Release: Fauré (Ballade, Op 19: LSO under Frühbeck De Burgos, with Louis Lorue, plano); Schubert (Sonata in C, D 840: Altred Brendel, piano Mozart (Duo in G, K 423: Thomas Zenetmair, violin, Tabea Zimmermann, viola); Martinu (Sonata No 1: Rudolf Firkusny, piano); Lars-Erik Lars:

Lars-Enk Larsson (Symphony No 2 in D: Helsingborg SO under Hans-Peter Frankt; Respighi (Violin Sonata in 8 minor: Kyung Wha Chung, violin, Krystian Zimerman, piano) 4.30 Choral Evensong: The Exon Singers, with organist Andrew Lumsden, live from

Andrew Lumsder, live from Tewkssbury Abbey

5.30 Mamly for Pleasure: Tenth Anniversary. Lyndon Jenians, in the company of Jack Brymer, who hosted the first programme 10 years ago, presents a miscellarly of music and old favorance. favountes 7.05 Christmas Quiz with Timothy West and Miles

Kington (r) 8.00 Haydn: The Late Masse The Orchestre of the Age of Enlightenment under Sigiswald Kuijken, with the Salomon String Quartet, Lorna Anderson, soprano, Margaret Cable, mezzosoprano, John Mark Ainstey, tenor, and Peter Rose, bass perform Haydn (Symphony No 102 in 8 flat; Quartet in F, Op 77 No 2; Missa in tempore bell 150"), Inci **9.5**0

Interval Reading

9.45 Richard Strauss: Dreaden Staatskapelle under Karl Böhm perlorms Strauss's Death and Transhguration 10.10 The Ring and Book (Part 8): Guido, read by Robert Floatty (r) 11,00 Composers of the Week: Schubert, Sympnony No 3 (Viering Philharmonic Orchesta under Kleiber):

Adagno and rondo concentante in F, D487 (Meios Ensemble); Tantum ergo (Bavaran RSO and Chorus under Sawalls with District Fischer-Dieskau, bass): Offertorium. D 136; Satve Regina, D 106; Offertorium, D 223 (Berlin Chief Brisin, D 223 (ale in RSO under Detrich Knotne with Magcotena Hejos-syova, soprano, Peter Schreier, tenor) (f) 12.00 Now **12.05am Close**

RADIO 4

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News 9.05 Midweek with Libby Purves (s)
10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time: Clay Jones with a selection of last year's gardening queries (r)
10.30 Morning Story: "Something Coming" by Jane Gardam, read by Anna Massey
10.45 Daily Service from Blackburn Carhedral (s)
11.00 News; The Wednesday Feature: Censored by the

Feature: Censored by the State! Jonathon Green investigates the history of official censorship in Britain and to what extent it has been successful in the past (f)
11.47 One Night at the Opera:
Dame Judi Dench talks to
Monny Haltrecht about her

opera-going (new series)
News; You and Yours,
presented by John Howard
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and dentists; an interview from America about teaching children good manners; plus a discussion about being single. Also the reading by Dame Edna. Everage of her autobiograhy CONTINUES 3.00 News: Dreamers and Liars:

Play by Nick McCarry. There is more than meets the eye when property developers attempt to move an old tady OCCUDIEF (S) 3.47 Time for Verse: Before an sudence at the Salisbury Festival, George MacBeth marviews poet Peter Porter about his life and poetry.

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7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Face the Facts: John Waite

investigates . . . (new series)
7.45 Medicine Now, with Geoff 8.15 Green Dreems: Simon Fanshawe asks if green consumerism could save the planet or whether it is just a fashionable trend (see Choice (s)

8.56 Profile: Sarah Perkin talks to
Michael Donkin about her

vision of the good green life 9.15 Kaleidoscope: Michael Berkely considers the changing face of censorship with a discussion on Ledy Chatterley's Lover; a report from Noel Witts in East Berlin on the prospects of fringe theatre; an imerview with Steven issilis 45 The Financial World Tonight

9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight (s)
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Chatterley's Lover by D.H.
Lawrence (3 of 15)
11.00 Sweet And Low-Down:
Robert Cushman gives a
personal view of New York cabaret and Amencar popular song (see Choice)

11.30 Masterbrain: Featuring the winners and runners-up of the 1989 "Brain of British" and "Mastermind" competitions (r)
12.00 News, Incl 12.20am
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RADIO CHOICE Peter Davalle

 Green Dreams (Radio 4, 8.15pm), the first environment-friendly radio documentary of 1990, is listenerfriendly too, thanks largely to the anchorman, Simon Fanshawe, who introduces himself as a comedian, and goes on to prove that he really is a

bit of a wag. However, the expert comment he binds together is seriously intended. It even admits the possibility of the world becoming one mighty eco-system, with Thatcher-Bush politics to



Gore Videl: commenting on green politics (R4, 8.15pm)

despite his greenish sympathies, fills Gore Vidal with foreboding. On the lighter side (though you might think it no less fantastic) is Fanshawe's revelation that Britain has a green dating agency. It is not entirely client-friendly, though. It once introduced a farmer who used chemicals to a lady who strongly supported Greenneace.

Sweet and Low-Down (Radio 4, 11.00pm), Robert Cushman's selection of American cabaret songs, includes the familiar Bing Crosby-Johnny Mercer "On Behalf of the Visiting Fireman", and the (to me) un-<u>familiar joke at the expense of</u> "Sumer is icumen in", with time-warping lytics like "In every dark and stagnant pond/The primitive amoeba/ Divides and sings Ich liebe".

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High Street winners and losers under new rating structure

South-east fears effect of swingeing cost increases

By Mark Souster, Craig Seton and Peter Davenpor

rest of the South-east will bear good news in the long term." the brunt of rate increases commerce and industry in the North and Midlands have

Leading national retailing groups were yesterday still analysing the implications of the new uniform rate before issuing details, but Harrods, in the fashionable Knightsbridge area of London, described its e - from £1 million to £8.3 million by 1995 — as

Mr David Simons, the House of Fraser finance director, said of the new rates: "We will be appealing against them with every hope of success. Increases of this magnitude confident common sense will prevail or else there will be a lot of empty shops in every High Street in Britain."

Mr Roy Shepherd, of the Oxford Street Traders' Association in London, condemned the re-valuation, a minimum of 27 per cent for his members, as "a doctrinaire solution to an age old problem", adding that it would compound almost all the problems already faced by retailers and would especially hit small businesses in the South,

In Greater Manchester, on the other hand, big stores will stores to be suject to the pay substantially reduced maximum allowable increase rates under the new system. Typical of the cuts, Lewis's in Market Street will have its £1.7 million bill reduced by £170,000. Debenhams' citycentre store will have its annual £1.3 million bill cut by

The shock of the rates increase for Harrods is tempered by a decrease in the rates to be paid by Rackhams of Birmingham, a member of the House of Fraser group. Under the new uniform system, the department store, in Corporation Street, will see its current rate bill of about £1.3 million reduced to £758,000. Marks and Spencer, in High Street, will see its rates bill increase from £388,136 to about

ham's city said: "The average business in

Businesses in London and the that, for industry, it will be Although the introduction announced yesterday, but of the new uniform business rate is expected to lead to lower payments by commerce and industry in the North,

with huge increases in rateable values similar to those in central London, with some firms facing up to 40-fold W.P. Brown, the locally

owned department store in the £83,775 to £227,940, while the Woolworth rates bill will rise from £64,917 to £194,880.

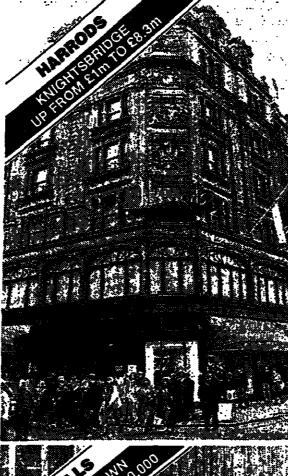
department store, whose rateable value is set to increase from just more than £26,000 to £1,020,000. Boots, the chemist, faces an increase from £20,805 to £500,000, Rowntrees confectionary fac-tories from £490,963 to £4,630,000, and Terry's, the chocolate manufacturers, from £185,000 to £1,460,000.

Many small businesses are not yet aware of the effect of changes, and some large groups, such as the Asda supermarket chain, which has headquarters in Leeds, are still assessing the impact. Asda has about 350 retail properties, and expects half of its retail

Many of the retailing giants had by ysterday not yet col-lated the rate changes for their stores, making regional comparisons not immediately possible.

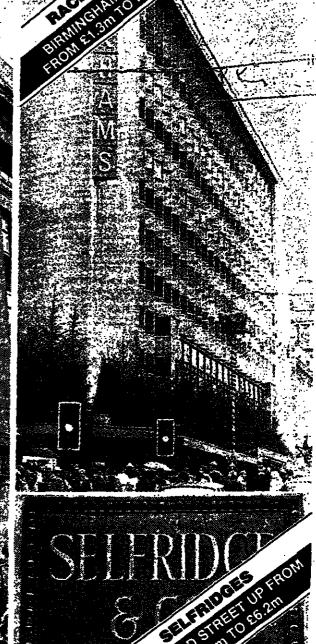
Marks and Spencer, with 288 stores, said it was not surprised by the new rates. "As a national retailer we will have significant variations, some large increases tempered by other decreases. It will be swings and roundabouts," a Mr John Roberts,

managing director of Next Retail, said he would be stepping up the firm's efficiency drive in view of the uniform business rate. "In recent years we have indulged ourselves in space and we are treasurer, now taking a harder look at rationalizing this," he said, Birmingham will benefit in adding that the new system the long term." was not as significant as the Birmingham Chamber of large rent increases last year, Industry and Commerce which means rent and depreciagreed, saying: "Our view is ation costs are still greater.









It will be cloudy over Britain with rain in the north

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East and West Germany.

Standing at the Brandenburg Gate with Herr Gerlach, President Havel commented: "Kennedy said in the presence of the Wall that he was a Berliner. I would like to take the liberty of repeating that sentence in a new time and a new context."

by Mr Marian Calfa, his Prime Minister, who held talks about Czechoslovak-East German relations with Herr Hans Modrow, his East Berlin

Mr Havel spoke of the need for "new impulses" in both countries and said that he aimed to "remove the barriers, walls and barbed wire which divide Europe". As he

walked along the Berlin Wall and shook hands with East German border guards, President Havel said that East Germany deserved the thanks of all Europeans for removing the worst wall of all.

He said that the process of German reunification now needed to be worked out by negotiation rather than wild tures. "Most of Czechoslovakia borders on to East or West Germany," he said, "Germany virtually surrounds us. It must free its neighbours of fear, especially many. President Havel pledged his country's support for removing all barriers within Europe, and called for new impulses in the relation-

ship with East Germany. In Munich later, more than

with cheers and chants of could understand the reasons "Havel, Havel" when he arrived at the Prince Carl Palace, the official residence of the Bavarian Prime Minister. for a meeting with President von Weizsacker of West Germany. Several placards bore the messages "Long live Havel" and "Free elections", in

the Czech language. As the two Presidents talked, Herr Helmut Kohl, the West German Chancellor, and Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, his Foreign Minister, met Mr Calfa. Mr Havel later insisted on meeting representatives of the Opposition in Bonn, including Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, leader of the Social Democratic Party.

Mr Havel told a joint press conference with President von

and west. Any fog patches should clear during the morning with cloud breaking over England and eastern Wales to give bright spells. West Wales and Cornwall, however, might have

rain, as might Scotland and Northern Ireland. Fog patches

will reform in the evening, especially in southern and eastern England. Becoming windy in places. Outlook: more rain.

300 people greeted Mr Havel Weizsäcker that everyone German states in one day. He was also happy that his visit to West Germany had taken place in Munich. "As a dramatist, I see in that a certain

However, although his brief visit was intended originally to have a symbolic character, it had turned into a working visit in which many concrete questions had been discussed

President von Weizsäcker said the talks had covered new border crossings, economic co-operation, the environment and culture. He also emphasized the symbolism of President Havel's visit, saying it was a sign of a "new good neighbourliness".

Women warned on prison sentences

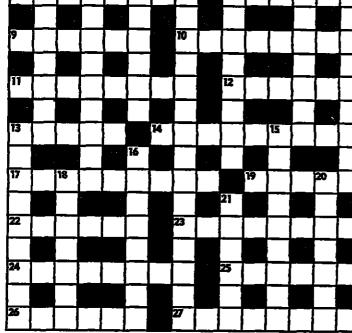
The court was told that five other women involved in the case had received custodial sentences ranging from 21

Judge Pickles said he was concerned that mother and baby should not be separated. He said it appeared Scott offences came to light. "I am evade custody, but you see my point. Would it be right to let young women know that one way of possibly or probably

"I have to consider young women who even now may be considering whether it is worthwhile to commit an

between the time they have 19 or 20 years' time," he said.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,181



ACROSS

- Pear concoction with vermouth, if taken as an appetizer (8). 6 Girl leads way, being a monitor, possibly (6).
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- 10 Very hungry, like Poe's por-tentous visitor? (8). 11 Flighty type demanding money
- for an instrument (8). 12 To a limited extent? Most as-
- suredly! (6). 13 Journalist motoring in the wood
- 14 The guns return with a body to a meeting of men only (4-5).
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one's woman (6). Solution to Puzzle No 18,180

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23 Son with posh hair-style - an ideal being (8).

- 24 Apt to change before entering this entertainment (8).
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- the football club? (6).

 26 One left a French painter to grumble away (6).

- 2 Depression suffered by travellers on the way? (3-4).
- 3 Russian and German worker dismissed as superfluous (9).
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- 13 Sign as commander of navy giving support to island (9).
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- 18 Dined at home most economical (7).

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- 5 In memory of an ancient newspaper's former days? (3,3,5,4).
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WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Philip Heward

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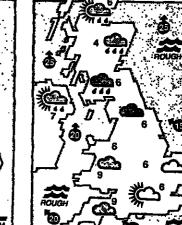
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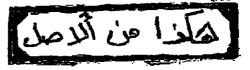
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Andrew Knight for News Int

Market report, page 20

Mr Andrew Knight has been enoointed executive chairman of News International, which controls Times Newspapers. News Group Newspapers and Sky Television.

Mr Knight, who was chief executive and editor-in-chief of the Daily Telegraph until October 1989, will take up his appointment on March 12.

Commenting on the ap-pointment, Mr Rupert Murdoch, chief executive of The News Corporation, the parent company of News Inter-national, said: "We are extremely fortunate to have secured Andrew Knight to ive full-time leadership to News International."

Mr Murdoch added: "News International is in the middle of a £1 billion investment programme in the UK and Mr Knight completes our new management team to take the company forward into the

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Rates regime highlights the North-South divide

By Derek Harris Industrial Editor

Retailers and directors of small businesses were shaken yesterday after calculating how much they will have to pay under the new Uniform Business Rate regime following the first property revaluations since 1973.

Reports of rates bills - at the end of a five-year phasing-in period likely to rise by 100 per cent were common, but some likely increases were greater, even exceeding 500

come off best, with a rather beavier burden falling on those using offices, although the City of London seems better off than the West End. The heavier rates burdens are in the South-east and South of England, with greatest

gains showing up further north. ICI, the chemicals group, said that in the first year the effects at its installations and properties would be broadly neutral, while after five years a drop in its the rates bill, in real terms, is expected.

What could have a big impact on the commercial property market is that any business moving to a new

location after April will have to pay the higher rates immediately. This is likely to make new developments now coming on stream even more difficult to let, especially in retailing, where traders are already having a hard time.

The rates changes came in for strong criticism from the Confederation of British Industry, the lastitute of Directors, the Retail Consortium and bodies representing small businesses.

Selfridges, the flagship store of the Sears group, faces after five years a new rates bill of £6.26 million, compared with the exist-

increase of 244 per cent. Sears is considering an appeal.

It is one example given by Property Intelligence, whose Focus database contains details of the changes as a service to the commercial property industry under an arrangement with the Inland Revenue's valuation office. A Granada bingo hall in Woolwich, South London, would see its rates bill rise 331 per cent to £41,760 according to Property Intelligence.

The database points to the rates bill at Harrods, the West End store, rising after five years from an

annual £1.02 million currently to £8.35 million, a rise of more than 700 per cent. The largest Marks and Spencer store at Marble Arch, central London, has a rateable value up from £666,638 to £6.87 million, which would mean the current rates bill of £1.14 million rising to £2.39 million.

Shell's Adelphi building near Trafalgar Square, central London, has a current rates bill of £256,902 which is expected to rise to £469,800. But generally, City rates bill rises look to be more modest.

The National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses

hair clinic and the other a camera shop, to check their fate in Westminster. One faced a 200 per cent

rise and the other 100 per cent. At local authorities, draft lists covering individual businesses were being made available - with finalized lists due in April

The Forum of Private Business predicted 40,000 small firms could be driven out of business by the new rates. The number of properties in the new valuation list is about 1.6 million, of which 928,000 face paying more, 590,000 paying less and 108,000 unchanged.

Bank squeezes foreign loans to developers

putting pressure on foreign banks to cut back growth. their lending to property companies, on fears they may agree many of the loans the clearing banks are now refusing.

British branches of US and European banks say that in recent meetings with the Bank's regulators they have been quizzed on the extent and composition of their property portfolios.

Some of the more aggressive property-lending banks, or ones with a high exposure to the City and Docklands, are thought to have been warned of the risks involved.

"We did get the impression they were indicating us to be cautious," said one senior banker, "particularly about Docklands." A Bank of England spokesman admitted that its regu-

lators were presently paying particular attention to the property and leveraged buy- 🗧 out sectors. The Bank first became concerned about property lending in October, when lending figures showed a 56 per cent

surge to £29.6 billion in the year to August. That month Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the governor, spoke in Paris on the need for banks to re-examine

their property lending. The banking world is now nervously awaiting the publication of the Banking's lending analysis figures for the three months to November, due in Cautious: Leigh-Pemberton

The Bank of England is two weeks, to see if there has singled out by the Bank for been a slowdown in the special attention.

> clearers, who were already becoming cautious about the sector, are thought to have put a virtual ban on all new property loans, although existing commitments are still being drawn down.

All the clearers are keen to stress their caution in the field. Barclays Bank, for example, is thought to have lent less than £70 million to Docklands' developers. So many companies are

turning to overseas institutions for help. 'We are being offered more

operty loan refusals from the clearers than at any time in years," said a banker. In his speech to the Royal Institution of Chartered Sur-

veyors last October, Mr Leigh-Pemberton said that exposure to the more highly-geared property developers would be



Current levels of interest

Since then the major rates may challenge the assumptions underlying some of this lending," he said. And he tried to allay fears the sector was heading for a crisis similar to the mid-

Seventies, stating that lending was spread across a wider number of strongly capitalized banks, while property lending itself accounted for less than 10 per cent of the total loans of £396 billion to British re-

Japanese institutions in particular have been keen to lend to the sector. Their total exposure grew by 133 per cent in the year to August to £2.59

This compares with a 55 per cent increase by the retail banks to £13.3 billion.

Japanese banks are now larger lenders to property companies than British merchant banks, which account for £1.97 billion and have a particularly large exposure to the City, including the Broadgate development. Institutions in the United

States, have also been keen to increase their British property portfolio. However, one US bank hit trouble last year in

Security Pacific, which owns Hoare Govett, the stockbroker, led a consortium which loaned £18 million to Kentish Property Group, now in receivership, for its Bow Quarter development. This was its first foray in the residential property field.

Beating retreat at BZW



Barclays de Zoete Wedd, was drummed off the Frisby, once a lieutenant with the Coldstream

Mr Simon Frisby, a director of equities at retirement after 32 years in the City. Mr broker's equities trading floor yesterday by two Guards, was a partner of de Zoete & Bevan members of the Corps of Drums of the 1st before the firm's merger with Barclays and Rattalion The Coldstream Guards, to mark his Wedd Durlacher. City Diary, page 21

Italy relaxes currency rules

By Our City Staff

Italy plans to relax rules on the state monopoly of foreign exchange, the nation's foreign

trade ministry said. The move is aimed at gradually lifting all remaining restrictions on capital flows before July 1, when Italy is foreign exchange received

have abolished all restrictions days. Those holding such on cross-border capital flows.

Signor Renato Ruggiero, the foreign trade minister, proposes to abolish the rule that Italian residents must convert

required under a directive of against delivery of goods or the European Community to services abroad within 120 currency will be able to keep it indefinitely in a domestic foreign currency account.

About 2 trillion lire (£937 million) in foreign exchange is said to be affected.

Buoyant start to year in markets

By Graham Searjeant Financial Editor

The new year started buoy-antly in financial markets and share prices rose in most centres - with London leading

Both the pound and later the dollar improved on foreign exchanges, though this was mainly because interest rates are expected to remain high for some time.

In London, the FT-SE 100 share index leapt to 2,443.3, within a whisker of its all-time high of 1987, at the start of trading. Sentiment was boosted by the generally optimistic views of City commentators and the Press on the outlook for the British economy and share prices.

Shares prices were also lifted by technical factors, notably attempts by Stock Exchange market-makers to rebuild their books after the holiday period. Further rises in water stocks and new year share tips also helped.

The general market gains were not sustained but the index still ended 11.4 points higher at 2,434.1..

In Frankfurt, where share prices had ended 1989 at their highest for the year, there were fresh gains averaging I per cent. In New York, the Dow Jones index also started with a healthy rise. Markets were closed in Tokyo.

On the foreign exchanges, the story was more complex. Sterling rose a cent against the dollar in early trading and was also quoted slightly higher against the mark.

Later, however, there was a sharp recovery in the dollar against all currencies, but particularly against the mark. By late afternoon, the pound was up 3 pfennigs against the mark in London but marginally down against the US currency.

The sterling index ended at 86.8. up 0.8.

Tesco plays down | More water stakes French bid report

that Tesco will only expand outside its British base "when we are convinced that an

Tesco, which long ago signalled its ambition to expand abroad, was yesterday re-ported to have bid £260 million for Genty Cathiard, the French food retailer. Its approach was said to have been rejected.

A Tesco spokesman said: "It is not our policy to comment on market rumours. However, the rumoured bid price is more than we would be prepared to pay if the rumour was true - which it is

Sir lan told the brokers'

Sir Ian MacLaurin, the chair- search shows that there are man of the Tesco supermarket still enormous opportunities chain, told London brokers for growth within the United Kingdom and we intend to continue our development here with the greatest vigour." opportunity is exactly right for • Mr Stanley Kalms, chairman of the Dixons electrical retailing group, slammed Kingfisher's £461 million offer as "totally lacking in credibility" after the bidder announced ordinary accep-

the first closing date.

tances of just 0.13 per cent at

Kingfisher, which owns Woolworth, B&Q and Comet, has extended the offer until It owned no Dixons shares before the bid.

The low level of acceptances

is not surprising as the Dixons

120p cash offer since King-

share price has been above the

10 privatized water groups are unexpectedly small selling by likely to be revealed in the individuals over the holiday next few days after further rises in the price of several

stocks. The companies will see their share registers for the first time this week, possibly today, helping them to analyse and trace nominee holdings. Yorkshire Water and South

West Water, both viewed as potential targets of Com-pagnie Générale des Eaux, the world's largest water group, gained a further 3p yesterday, joining Northumbrian at 177p as the highest priced of the partly-paid shares.

The weighted package of water shares rose a further £27 to £1,615, equivalent to an average premium of 61.5p on the £1 initial instalment on vious purchases of large shares in individual com- blocks of its shares.

set to be revealed By Our Financial Editor More significant stakes in the panies. This partly reflects

period. General Utilities, British subsidiary of the French

group, could not comment yesterday on whether it had acquired any notifiable stakes. Holdings of 5 per cent or more would have to be disclosed to the companies concerned within five working days.

Générale is also thought to be interested in Wessex Water, where its rival Lyonnaise des Eaux has already declared a 6 per cent holding.

Yorkshire has now joined Thames as the highest rated company with an annual divi-dend yield just under 6.5 per cent on the fully-paid shares, but there have been no ob-

Allegations of 'material errors' in Albancode accounts

Main BOM offshoots in receivership

August 1987. Both are now up for sale.

By Jeremy Andrews

The two principal subsidiaries of BOM Holdings, whose shares have been suspended since Christmas 1988, are in receivership and its sole remaining asset has been disposed of, BOM's 20,000 shareholders have been told.

The moves follow the refusal of the Stock Exchange to relist the shares, which, BOM claims, prevented £32 million of new finance being raised. The company is also suing Arthur Andersen. the accountant, about an acquisition made just before the stock market crash. On December 27, Mr Martin Shaw, a

Leeds partner of Peat Marwick McLintock, was appointed receiver of Just Leather, an importer and retailer of leather furniture, and Roselodge Kitchens, which makes and installs fitted kitchens. These were the two trading subsidiaries of Albancode, for which BOM paid £16.5 million in shares in

BOM now claims that there were "material errors" in Albancode's consolidated accounts for the year to January 1987 and that financial information produced by Albancode's management after its acquisition proved to be "materially incorrect." One of Albancode's vendors, Mr DN Rayner, has agreed to pay BOM £3 million to settle warranty claims and BOM is suing Arthur Andersen for at least £8.5 million damages arising from the claimed inaccuracies in the 1987 accounts and in the accountants' report prior to Albancode's purchase.

Mr David Cade, a London partner of

Andersen, said: "We regard this claim as

being without merit and propose to

defend it vigorously." Andersen is suing

BOM for £190,000 of unpaid fees. The

purchase of Albancode took BOM's

issued capital to almost 400 million

shares and it was about to raise £15.7 million in a rights issue of a further 657 million shares when the the listing was suspended on December 23, 1988. This followed disclosure that BOM's enormous shareholder list was swollen by aggressive telephone selling. Following suspension, the original rights issue was dropped and BOM drew

up proposals to raise £24 million from the issue of shares and convertible debenture stock and £8 million from a term loan. These were turned down by the Stock Exchange. BOM kept afloat through ownership of a site at Kingsnorth in Kent, bought by BOM's antecedent company, Berry Wiggins, for a bitumen refinery. This has

gone for £12 million plus a 20 per cent

stake in Surelaunch - set up to acquire it.

Outstanding borrowings secured against

the site accounted for "a significant part"

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Hungarians poised to privatize state airline

Hungary's reform-minded government plans to privatize the Malev state airline, Mr Sandor Kalnoki Kiss, the deputy transport minister, said. The government had already received many offers but planned to hire a profession company to handle the sale.

Mr Kalnoki Kiss said that while it would be difficult for the government to retain a controlling stake in the airline, his ministry would seek a guarantee giving it a say in company decisions. Maley's 22-plane fleet flies to 40 countries in

Blue Circle

Mr Keith Orrell-Jones, presly a director of Con dated Gold Fields, has been appointed president of Blue Circle Holdings Inc., the American arm of Bine Circle

New chief at French group buys Trinitec

Paris computer distribution group, has bought the rest of Trinitec, in which it already owned 22 per cent, for an undisclosed sum. Metrologie American arm of Blae Circle
Industries and has been
made a director. Mr Orrell
Jones was previously chief
executive of ARC, the aggregates and concrete unit of
CousGold. He succeeds Mr
John Bourdeaux.

undisciosed sim. Metroogie
will be running its acquisition and fully-owned
Rapid Recall under a new
British holding company.
Combined sales of Trinitec
and Rapid are forecast to top
530 million this year.

Fergabrook expands

Fergabrook Group, the revitalized toys and plastics group which is to be renamed Clearmark, has acquired the publishing division of Celebrity Group Holdings for up to £3 million in cash and shares. The division made pre-tax profits of £1 million in the year to end-January 1989. Book value of assets was about £450,000, excluding the library, licences, and contracts associated with the business.

Mr Philip Harrison, chief executive, said the move into publishing and promotions gave scope for development of the company's consumer merchandising potential. Mr Alan Kingston, one of Celebrity's founders, will run the newlyacquired operations as managing director of the new divisio Celebrity's main business will now be to run Zodiac Toys.

52.7% take-up Bardsey offer for Perkins

Some 52.7 per cent of Perkins Foods' open offer of 20.8 million shares to fund its acquisition of Peppinos's Pizzas of West Germany has been taken up, with the balance being met by participants in a conditional placing of its shares. The DM34.3 million (£12.6 million) purchase of Peppino's, a privately-owned company, was completed on Sunday.

unconditional

Beckenham Group's offer for Bardsey has been declared unconditional, with accep-tances totalling 60.3 per cent of the ordinary share capital by the first closing date. The bid has been extended until further notice although the further notice, although the cash option closes at 3pm on January 13. A special divi-dend of 1p will be paid on January 22 to holders of

Delta in £3.6m deals

Delta, the electrical equipment, engineering and industrial services group, has made two further acquisitions in the specialist electrical distribution and protective coatings fields through its Australian subsidiaries for a total of Aus\$7.5 million (£3.64 million).

Industrial Galvanisers, the Australian protective coatings subsidiary, has acquired the two Perth coatings facilities of Bowater Industries Australia for Aus\$3.4 million, givin Delta nationwide coverage and market leadership, Bell-IRH Industries, the manufacturer and distributor of electrical and industrial automation products, has bought the Warburton division of Anitech, a distributor of electronic controls, sensors and instruments. Delta shares firmed 2p to 331p.

YUGOSIAV CUFFENCY Top retailers see the 1990s as a marketing director of Little-brattish behaviour. In the portation, car parking, basic decade in which quality will woods, said: "For the 1990s, 1990s humanism will return." amenities, service, and case. pegged to mark in austerity package

From A Correspondent

Yugoslavia has introduced a Yugoslav wages are calculated new "heavy" dinar, stripping according to the dinar's almost the entire population fluctuation with the mark, the of its "millionaire" status

The advent of the new dinar, each worth 10,000 old dinars, is part of a package of austerity measures announced by Prime Minister Ante Markovic.

For the first time in more (£10.5 billion) foreign debt. than 50 years, the Yugoslav currency will be freely convertible with all leading Western currencies. It will be backed by the International Monetary Fund, faces immense political opposition. pegged at a fixed rate of seven to the West German mark that it could prolong Yugo-(about 12 to the dollar) until

The government said the said: "This bunch of laws and dinar is being pegged to the regulations... will hit the mark to give confidence to worst-off in our society and foreign investors. But since might lead to recession.

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per cent and help reduce Yugoslavia's \$17 billion

But the austerity package,

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slavia's economic woes
One political commentator

By Our City Staff

Berry, Birch & Noble, the Unlisted Securities Marketquoted financial services to micro-electronics group, has sold a batch of its loss-making micro-electronic interests to its management. E&L Technologies, a new

management buyont com-pany, has bought all the capital held by Interplex Technologies, previously a 50 per cent owned associated com-pany of BB&N, in its subsidiaries, Global Specialties Corp (UK) and E&L Instruments, for a nominal sum.

As part of the arrangements company debt, E&L has issued 40,000 A preference shares of £1 to BB&N.

A guide to dolls and houses

Anyone thinking of buying a go for it. It also looks at the house need not despair. Fambooming antiques market ily Money on Saturday exwhere dolls and toy cars are plains why 1990 is the year to being sold for small fortunes.

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Higgs and Hill hybrid clouds the issue

have been adopted by Higgs and Hill in an effort to beat off the bid from YJ Lovell, led by Andrew Wassell, its chairman. A hybrid valuation, part asset part earnings based, presumably gives a more pleasing result than a more

It seems that the Takeover Panel has limply allowed a mixture of special pleading and obfuscation to be offered up as crucial guidance to shareholders, when what private investors need is clear information from their board on basic earnings and asset valuations in order to tackle what is, for most, an extremely complex decision.

The problem is that the construction business is valued on an earnings basis, while the housing and contracting divisions are valued on the basis of assets alone. If there were earnings valuations for the housing and contracting divisions too, it would at least furnish one clear picture of the value put on Higgs by its board. It appears eccentric to value

housebuilding operations on the basis of their land bank. The stock market treats housebuilding as a trading operation valued on earnings. At present, in the midst of the worst housebuilding slump since the war, those values are



it is dated November 30, since portfolio. when land prices are likely to Conventional wisdom has it

recovers. At any rate, this

extremely modest. Higgs has selectively chosen for valua-million, an increase of 76 per chosen an asset valuation, but tion from the total group cent on present book value.

The next problem is how to regard special valuations for four sites on the assumption that housing land has further they will receive planning to fall before the market permission or revised planning permission now being casts doubt on rather more sought. The exercise throws

The upshot is that Higgs ishes shareholders to accept that its non-construction assets, plus construction earnings, plus the planning permission honus make the group worth 610p per share. Not bad for a stock which thing less amorphous on which to grasp have the 52p earnings per share forecast for last year as their anchor, plus the 366p of basic housing and property assets shown in the

Given that a quarter of the earnings arise from housing where market p/e's are in the 5 to 6 range, Lovells' 405p offer appears less outrageously low than it has been painted. If Lovell ups its terms to, say, 460p, they are well worth a

Hestair

This week the battle for control of Hestair will reach a head. The original 282p bid from Adia runs out on Friday, and the Swiss employment agency group has to decide whether to top the 325p on offer from BET or back down. The shares have moved up to 332p on the conviction that a higher offer will be forth-

BET's shares, meanwhile, have recovered slightly, but, at 263p, remain 5 per cent lower than they were before it launched its £192 million bid, because of fears that the industrial services group will be drawn into an expensive anc-

For what it is worth, Hestair's architect and chair- to get it on attractive terms.

would prefer BET to emerge victorious. Adia, which op-erates in Britain as Alfred Marks and Jonathan Wren, already has its own network of agency management both here and in the US, and a merger would almost certainly lead to redundancies.

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Hestair's board has thrown half its stake behind BET's offer, though as this amounts to only 1.1 per cent it leaves the outcome wide open.

Observers question the wisdom of a hostile bid for a people business such as employment bureaux because it is impossible to bind in key personnel with non-competition agreements in such cir-

With its bearer shares at SwFr2,000 (£823) the group is capitalized at £1.5 billion and has a prospective p/e ratio of 14 on brokers' earnings forecasts of SwFr140 for the

That is higher than the exit p/e ratio of 12 implied by BET's terms, which assumes Hestair's earnings slipping to 27p this year. Conversely, BET's shares are trading on a prospective p/e ratio of less than 10 and it would be hard to avoid dilution if it were to cap a higher offer from Adia. If the Swiss really want Hestair, they are in a position

Christmas sales boost relieves American economic indicator edges up gloom for high street traders

A surprise last-minute Christ- selling item was a diamond mas spending spree has led to

better than expected December sales in the high street. After a quiet first two weeks, sales picked up sharply in places, although shoppers appear to have been extremely selective in their buying.

Mr Gerald Ratner, chairman of Ratners, the jewellery group, says his first television advertising campaign and his special offers paid off, with like-for-like sales increases of more than 20 per cent from Ratners was the star performer with a 24 per cent sales rise in December and the best- in a Ratners shop. selling item a gold gate brace-

solitare ring at £99.75, saw sales rise by 22 per cent. Zales increased sales by 27 per cent, Salisburys by 20 per cent and Watches of Switzerland by 11 per cent. In the US Sterling did better than most other ewellery chains with like-forlike sales growth of 9 per cent.

Mr Ratner said sales growth had not been achieved to the detriment of margins which, in Britain, are up by I per cent. Ratners gave away 80,000 £50 vouchers which are redeemmost of his chains. He says able in February. The group Ratners was the star per- was offering a free £50 voucher for every £150 spent Other retailers have not

et at £34.95. published their December fig. This excludes British Shoe reporting a better than ex-H Samuel, where the best- ures but have given some in- Corporation where trading pected Christmas.



Ratner: advertising paid off dication of Christmas trading. Sears is believed to have seen sales increase by 10 per cent in

the last two weeks in Dec-

was flat, Marks and Spencer is believed to have seen sales increases of about 12 per cent after a quiet start to the month. Boots is believed to have seen sales in December rise 7 per cent with about 2.5 per cent from Underwoods. Zodiac, the toys group, which is selling its publishing

division to Fergabrook, says toy sales rose by 21.3 per cent in the week before Christmas, Kingfisher's advertising campaign for Woolworths has paid off with the group reportng a strong Christmas, while B&Q was also up.

Sales at Etam, the clothing group, are said to have been flat in December although Next and Storehouse are

The National Association of from 51.4 in October. The

From A Correspondent

Purchasing Management said production index rose to 50.6 its index of economic activity rose to 48 per cent in December from 46.6 per cent in November. Below 50 per cent indicates the manufacturing sector is declining, while

its highest since June 1989's 48.8 per cent, but below 50 for the eighth consecutive month. The index registered 57.3 per cent in December 1988. It averaged 49 per cent for all of 1989, consistent with real gross national product growth of 2.2 per cent. The New Orders index registered 50.4 per cent in December, up from 48.1 in November, but down

per cent from 48.6 in November and 48.4 in October. The Vendor Deliveries index slipped to 42.2 per cent from 42.5 in November and

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Prices fell again in November for the seventh consecutive month. The Price index fell to 41.9 per cent in December from 42.7, but was unchanged from October. October and December readings were the lowest since June

ued to expand in December. although at a slower rate than

Quality and people will count in 90s

succeed will be those offering the customer quality, service, comfort and convenience.

wort Benson, which compiled the report on retailing, said: "Most respondents expect change in the 1990s to be more rapid than in the 1980s. The move also amounts to a sixsecond theme is people, sermonth wase freeze. vice, staff and training and the Mr Markovic says the meathird is wealth." sures will bring inflation, now running at almost 2,000 per

reign and people, both cus-tomers and staff, will be all letter words slammed down its important. The retailers who financial throat - plan long letter words slammed down its financial throat - plan long will be at a premium and those Kingfisher, says the theme will

Mr Alistair Grant, chairman of the Argyll Group, said: teams of management and Mr Paul Smiddy of Kleintimebomb facing those retail- impossible to catch up." ers selling to age groups which are contracting. Shopping attitudes in the next decade will says customers will require a be moderated by a mass core much greater product range, of middle agers. The eighties flashy interiors will give way was a decade to forget. A to comfort and convenience. Scrooges and staffed by Cin-hird is wealth."

was a decade to forget. A to comfort and convenience. Scrooges and staffed by Cin-period of selfishness, indul-Mr Geoffrey Maitland Smith, derellas, a pantomime of Mr Prodip Guha, group gence and money driven by chairman of Sears, says trans-meanness and stupidity."

Sir Ian MacLaurin, chairman of Tesco, said: "People

companies which have nebe "choosing the right merglected to build first-class chandise at the right price."

"Demographics sit like a staff will find it virtually

tomer care will all improve. Mr Geoffrey Mulchay, of

Mr Garfield Davies, general secretary of USDAW, the shop workers' union, wants

better conditions for staff. "Beneath the smart store fronts lies a billion-pound industry which pays its workforce poverty wages. Run by Scrooges and staffed by Cin-

STOCK MARKET

Seaq breakdown helps drive share prices close to record

whisker of their all-time peak yesterday, driven higher, worst-off in our society and strangely enough, by a break-down in Seaq, the Stock Exchange's computerized trading system.
Market-makers were unable

to update their quotations before the start of the mandatory quotations period which left most brokers and fund managers thrashing around in the dark. Faced with renewed optimism about the economy in the wake of Friday's better-than-expected trade figures and a clutch of New Year share tips, the market-makers had little choice but to mark prices sharply higher in thin

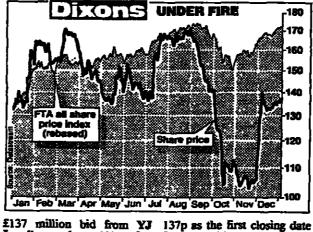
Within minutes of the start of official trading, the FT-SE 100 index had surged by 20.6 points — just 0.1 of a point shy of its record of 2,443.4, achieved on July 17, 1987.

But the lack of follow-themsels later and accessionthrough later and an opening fall on Wall Street saw prices come off the boil. The index

ventually closed 11.4 up at 2,434.1 with a meagre 329 million shares traded as investors chose to extend their Christmas and New Year break. The narrower FT index of 30 shares jumped 17.5 to 1,934.1.

Government securities scored early gains of up to £1/2, cheered by the Chancellor's encouraging comments on the economy. But a sickly performance by the pound against both the dollar and the mark saw the rises reversed by the

Higgs and Hill, the construction group on the share being offered by King- may face write-offs totalling



Lovell, rose op to 46 ip, after 466p. The speculators are Dealers are convinced that the looking for a higher offer of at bid will be cleared by the least 460p a share later this Office of Fair Trading and week and there is mounting that a higher offer will soon speculation about a counter-follow. Kingfisher rose 1p to

for the bid was extended. Eurotumel units jumped

company's defence document, 28p to 633p with the warrants, accusing it of disguising its included in this year's Tempus asset value of 423p a share and portfolio, 2p higher at 46p as

Wassall, the mini-conglomerate bidding for Metal Closures Group, extended its strong run over the Christmas period with a rise of 4p to 199p. The price has risen from 170p since it launched the bid, which has increased the value of Wassall's share and cash terms from 163p to 189p. The share price of Metal Closures added 2p to 188p.

housebuilding. Lovell price slipped Ip to

receiving end of an unwanted fisher, closing 1p firmer at £400 million.

inflating its profits from the prospect of settling the housebuilding long-running dispute with the Lovell is also sceptical Transmanche Link came a bit about Higgs' profit forecast of nearer. There is increasing £7.1 million for 1989. Lovell speculation that the connearer. There is increasing has until Seturday to increase tractors, which include BICC, its offer of 405p a share. The lp lighter at 474p, Costain, lp down at 313p, Tarmec, 5p 230p.

Dixons continued to trade comfortably above the 120p a share being offered by Kingmay face write-offs totalling.

down at 313p, Tarmac, 5p
higher at 257p, Taylor Woodrow, 1p better at 321p, and
Wimpey, 1p dearer at 252p,
may face write-offs totalling.

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Prowting, 6p to 139p, Raine
may face write-offs totalling.

Other Tempus tips to go better included Grand Metropolitan, 12p to 640p, after 645p, Temkins, 2p to 284p, Pelly Peck, 1p to 394p, Trafalgar House, 6p to 346p, Stakis, 2½p to 94p, GKN, 5p to 446p, and Cable and Wireless, 4p to 558p. Only Midland Bank, down ip at 398p, and Midland & Scottish Resources, 2p lighter at 196p, failed to make headway.

The recently-privatized water companies attracted vived talk of French stake-building. But they closed below their best levels of the day with prices showing signs of running out of steam after their recent strong run.
Thames (which has replaced

Granada, down 1p at 337p, as a constituent of the FT-SE 100 index) climbed 3p to 161p. Anglia edged ahead 1/2p to 1661/2p, Northumbrian, 3p to 177p, North West, 4p to 154p, Severn Treat, 1½p to 145p, South West, 3p to 177p, Welsh, 5p to 162p, Wessex, 2p to 172p and Yorkshire, 3p

Building and construction continued draw strength from the prospect of a softening of interest rates in the spring. Gains were seen in Barratt Developments, 2p to 197p, Beliway, 5p to 195p, Birse Group, op to 138p, Henry Boot, 16p to 455p, Bryant Group, 4p to 117p, Colroy, 12p to 162p, J Crosby, 9p to 101p, John Laing, 22p to 311p, John Maunders, 7p to

Michael Clark

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Mr John Braithwaite, the brothers who head Sunseek-

ers, the luxury yacht and powerboat builder, are cele-

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OPTIONS

Westmex yesterday in an effort to stem market speculation that it will become Australia's next major corporate casualty. Their show of support came after Westmex, which owns 60 pany and its plans for a major per cent of British clothing and shoe group Charterhall, suffered another battering on the Australian Stock Ex-50 (1 % S) change, with its shares dropping 11 cents to a record low lion equity injection or a of 28 cents. Charterhall repartial takeover of the commained suspended in London

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Some for to migh

Brokers said that investors both in Australia and Britain had been due to go before bailed out of the stock en shareholders for approval masse amid speculation that early this month, followed a lenders were reviewing their slide in Westmex's shares exposure of Aus\$250 million from a (£123.7 million) to Westmex October.

Salmon calling

Released from his golden handcuffs at the end of 1989, Simon Frisby, a one-time partner of de Zoete & Bevan, has retired at the age of 56 from his position as a director of UK equities at BZW. He plans to spend more time shooting and fishing, especially in chilly lcelandic waters. His 32-year career in the City — he joined Bevan Simpson in 1957 — was brought to an emotional close yesterday. After a farewell luncheon at the Gresham Club, he was drummed off BZW's trading floor, in a surprise ceremony, by two drummers of the Coldstream Guards. For Frisby was once a lieutenant in the Coldstream Guards and was recalled for duty during Suez. His family's association with the army has been a long and notable one. His uncle Cyril was awarded the VC as a captain in the Coldstream Guards, his son Richard also served with the same regiment, and his father, Li Col L C Frisby, was awarded a DSO and an MC during his years with the Welsh Regiment. Greybeards in the Square Mile will no doubt recall that Cyril and "L C" were the original characters behind an oft-told tale, now part of City folk-lore. They jointly ran a successful rubber broking business be-

tween the wars, Frisby Broth-

ers and market colleagues

referred to Cyril as "Mr Frisby" and "L C" as "the

coward" - "Because he only

had the DSO and the MC,

Appointment of receiver could trigger creditors' demands, court told

Bond warns of claims rush

Lawyers representing Bond tor, to be done as quickly as ciété Générale, First National Corporation told the Victoria possible to allow him to Bank of Boston, Mitsubishi Supreme Court yesterday that accompany fellow officials to the appointment of a receiver New York to meet aggrieved Pittsburgh National Bank, and at Mr Alan Bond's Australian creditors on Friday. hreweries could trigger a rush Two American banks beof claims by other creditors

long to the syndicate of lendowed more than Aus\$6 billion appointment of receiver-man-Bond Corp is trying to agers. A Bond Corp spokesoverturn the appointment of man named syndicate memthe receiver and Mr Allan bers - between them owed Myers, a lawyer for the com-Aus\$700 million - as Natpany, asked the court for any ional Australia Bank, Hong- to the US debenture holders cross-examination of Mr Peter kong and Shanghai Banking on December 31. But Bond Mitchell, a Bond Corp direc- Corp, Standard Chartered, So- Corp said although it had the

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Trust and Banking Corp.

Toronto-Dominion Bank. Other American investors who hold debentures worth ers which called for the about Aus\$800 million account for most of the rest of the breweries' debt of Aus\$1.6 billion. The breweries were due to make a US\$52 million (£32 million) interest payment

Sunseekers powers to record

Sunseekers' Robert Braithwaite, left, with brother John: new assembly base in Canada to feed a hungry American market

Banks affirm prop | Stanley pays £10m

million.

portfolio to 17.

as Westmex drops | for eight casinos

and as much as £500,000.

About 95 per cent of the 450

boats built last year went for

export. It is because the

company wants to boost sales

to the United States, the

biggest single national market

for leisure boats, that an

assembly and servicing plant has been set up near Quebec in Canada. Current exports to

the US are running at about

Stanley Leisure, Mr Leonard

Steinberg's bookmaking and

market company, for £10.7

The casinos, which are

Stanley's existing resources,

are situated in Bolton, Liver-

pool, Southport, Coventry,

Bournemouth, Southampton, Margate and Portsmouth.

They take the group's casino

Stanley is now in joint

second position with Stakis,

behind Mecca which has 27

casinos. Stanley has a put

option, exercizable in Decem-

ber, to buy the freeholds of the

casinos at Southampton and

The casinos made pre-tax lion last time.

Bournemouth for £4 million.

Another market the broth-

£500,000 a year.

Mr Robert Braithwaite and builder after Marine Projects, but can be as little as £18,000

In the year to last April its

and the leading boats

money ready, the bank syn- argued against the move, say

The American investors are poised to launch their own legal action to have Bond Brewing placed in liquidation after the company missed a final deadline yesterday to pay US\$35 million of interest due on an issue of debt securities.

The cash has been withheld by a syndicate of banks, which on Friday appointed KPMG Peat Marwick Hungerford, the accountant, as receiver of Bond Brewing, Bond lawyers

ers aim to develop is Japan

Mr Robert Braithwaite said:

"The Japanese are not yet on a

wide scale a boating people but

we believe there is much

potential there." Next month.

for the second year, Sunseek-ers will be exhibiting at the

ilding in 1968.

In the first year they pro

duced four boats, aimed then

as now at the quality end of the

profits of £1.34 million on a

turnover of £7.34 million in

1988. Net assets were £1.9

Mr Steinberg, Stanley's chairman, said that unlike the

cial ones had not been affected

The group would now con-

centrate on consolidating the

casino business and the 310

betting shops, he said. There were no plans for a rights issue

or vendor placing in the

Stanley shares rose 4p to 240p. The group will announce its half-year results to

October this month. Analysts are expecting pre-tax profits of £4.1 million against £2.4 mil-

by the economic slowdown.

was £2.88 million.

forsecable future.

The Braithwaites

Tokyo boat show.

By Gillian Bowditch

casino group, has acquired 1988. Net assets were £1.5 eight provincial casinos from million and net liabilities

Leading Leisure, the third including inter-company debt,

being bought for cash out of London casinos, the provin-

dicate had blocked payment: ing Bond Brewing had been given only 30 minutes on Friday to repay its Aus\$800 million senior borrowines.

> Shares in Adelaide Steamship, which owns 20 per cent of Bell, plunged 22 cents to Aus\$6.06 yesterday on fears that Bell will be unable to recoup an Aus\$1.2 billion deposit it has paid for the breweries and that Adsteam will lose its Aus\$180 million

The hearing continues.

Car parts group sold by Tate & Lyle

(£111.3 million).

Tate, which has so far raised

Onex, an industrial con-glomerate which has formed a subsidiary and management team to run the Redpath automotive business, is funding the remainder of the consideration (\$17.5 million) through an issue of subordinated debt, guaranteed by

Mr Neil Shaw, the Tate chairman, said: "Although this business is a first-class growth business, with excellent management and prospects, it does not fit in with our strategic commitment to

In the year to end-September, the Redpath automotive businesses contributed £8 million to Tate's pre-tax profits. The book value of the net assets sold is £88.6 million.

infested with sharks.

By Melinda Wittstock

Tate & Lyle, the sugar refiner and sweeteners group, has sold its US and Canadian automotive components business to Onex Corporation of Toronto for US\$179.5 million

It was put on sale last March at the time of Tate's Can\$285.9 million (£152.3 million) acquisition of the remaining half of Redpath Industries, the Canadian sugar

Can\$67 million from the sale of Redpath's industrial and commercial products divi-sions, plans to use the \$162 million cash proceeds from the deal to cut borrowings, which stood at £770 million, net, at the year-end.

By the time it sells off the

two small remaining Redpath businesses, General Gear and Donlee Precision, it believes it will have recouped the \$285.9 million cash paid to buy the rest of Redpath.

Kidder Peabody & Co.

leadership in sweeteners."

COMMENT David Brewerton

BUSINESS AND FINANCE

Japan exchanges hard cash for a seat at table

loans industry even before Ivan Boesky, the disgraced arbitrageur. bought a couple of "thrifts" so as to be able to take advantage of the dramatic financial gearing they offered to dealers. At a conference a decade ago, Paul Volcker, then chairman of the Federal Reserve, gave warning that they were getting into deep water with investments outside their traditional area of housing finance. It transpired soon afterwards that not only was the water too deep for the swimming capabilities of the thrifts, but also that the water was

What happened next, as they say, is now history, but the reverberations will be felt for years. One aspect which is only just beginning to surface is that the need for capital in the US is becoming acute, and that it is likely to be met by the Japanese. Japanese banks and financial institutions dwarf those of even the US, and they could recapitalize the entire US banking sector without causing any stress back home in Tokyo.

In the latest issue of Harvard Business Review, David Hale, a noted American thinker on business and chief economist of Kemper Financial Services, says the US stock market will have trouble generating the funds required to recapitalize the thrift industry and strengthen bank balance systems without being allowed to usheets, especially if interest rates rise their massive strength to compete.

he warning bells were ringing for sharply and highly leveraged comthe United States savings and panies get into difficulties. The Japanese would step in, and the US would find itself facing the same market erosion in financial services that has afflicted its producers of machine tools, automobiles and semiconductors.

The combination of Japanese infiltration and memories of the thrift crisis are likely to lead, Hale believes, to the extention of what has become known as "managed trade", where the watchwords are reciprocity backed with the threat of retaliation. In financial services, managed trade is already a reality. For instance, although American banking assets in Japan are only \$30 billion (£18.5 billion), US financial companies have been allocated small but profitable niches in Japan's protected financial markets in return for a strong foothold in US commercial lending and government securties trading.

There is evidence, according to Hale, of quiet but effective suasion by the Federal Reserve and the Japanese Ministry of Finance to regulate the growth of the Japanese share of the US banking market and the behaviour of

Japanese banks in the US.
But at the end of the day, all sides recognize that there is no way that the Japanese can be expected to provide finance to lubricate western banking systems without being allowed to use

Liberal view of savings tax

nvestors who have wondered why personal equity plans are - even now - so bureaucratically inconvenient, or why pension schemes seem designed to ensure that mass saving does not result in any wider distribution of inherited wealth, might take a look at the latest policy paper from the Liberal Democrats. If they do, they will surely regret that it will probably get no further than the shelf reserved for other people's good ideas.

The Liberal Democrats and their forebears have been coming up with sensible plans for tax and benefit reforms for many years. Save for the odd wild moments when the centre might have grasped a real share of power, they have, however, been academic because the two main parties have never seriously taken them up. The Conservatives did once entertain a combined tax and benefit scheme, but it was dismissed as too expensive, the automatic take-up of benefits removing scope for tax cuts.

The latest proposals, which take the simplified and integrated approach even further, should - but probably will not - bear close study by Labour. But the ideas on taxation of savings might be

The basic idea is to tax all savings at the same rate. That is no novelty. Nigel Lawson made an energetic start to achieving tax neutrality on a step by step basis, but as soon as he started taking really big steps, such as reforming pensions, he was stopped in his tracks. After melding capital gains with income and managing to treat building society and bank deposits equally, he felt he had gone as far as he would be allowed and

The Liberal Democrat proposals, another variant of the America's Individual Retirement Accounts, suggest that all savings should be treated like personal pensions. Savings would be tax deductible up to an unspecified maximum proportion of income. Investments could be made in virtually anything except cars or second homes and investment returns would also be tax free within the account. Withdrawals could be made at any time, but would be taxable as income.

Mr Lawson and others would have liked to have done this kind of thing, but were deterred by potential tax cost and avoidance by the rich. Given the cuts in taken up by either of the main parties higher rate taxes and the country's with profit and without obvious ideo- desperate shortage of net savings, the cost should surely be reassessed.

Hodson takes the helm at Singer

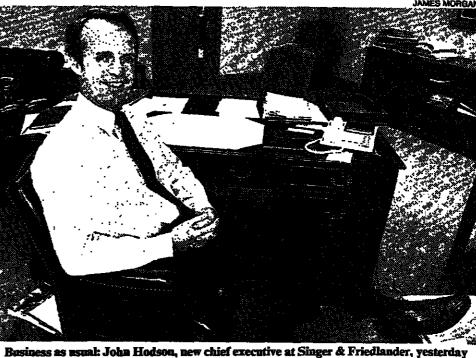
By Neil Bennett

Mr John Hodson has taken over as chief executive of Singer & Friedlander, the merchant banking group, replacing Mr Tony Solomons, who becomes non-executive director.

Mr Hodson has been an executive at the company for more than 20 years, and said he would continue all its major operations without any fundamental changes.

Observers said they expected him to invest the group's £40 million in net cash in further share stakes. Singer already has a 16 per cent holding in Apricot, the computer group.

Singer's shares have been depressed recently on persis-tent reports that British & Commonwealth is having difficulties selling its 10 per cent stake. Yesterday they closed unchanged at 67p.



Carron accepts Franke bid

By Melinda Wittstock

Carron Phoenix, the USMquoted maker of kitchen sinks and commercial catering equipment, has accepted an £8.32 million bid from Franke Holdings, its Swiss counter-

Franke, a private holding company for a number of multinational companies whose interests range from kitchen sinks to industrial components, sanitary equipment and bathroom furniture, has already received accep- Bene bid lapses or is with- itself.

tances totalling 32.7 per cent drawn. Bene said yesterday it for its 73p cash offer. The agreed bid tops a pre-

viously agreed 60p offer by Etablissement Bene et Cie, the French kitchen sink manufacturer to which the Carron directors earlier pledged their 17.4 per cent stake.

have urged shareholders to

was considering whether or not to come back with a higher offer and would make a further statement "in due course."

Carron shares fell from 5p to 74p.

The Franke offer represents Though Carron directors a 109 per cent premium to the Carron share price of 35p the accept the Franke offer, they day before the Bene deal was will not themselves be able to announced, and a 22 per cent pledge their stake unless the premium to the Bene offer

More writs over Collins

At least two more writs will be issued soon against former directors of EJ Collins, the broking firm in liquidation. Last week a writ was issued against Mr Anthony Tyjas, a

former director, for £565,820. It alleged Mr Tyjas had been dealing on behalf of himself or nominees while a director and had lost money. Mr Tyjas is defending the claim.

The firm had a deficit of almost £3 million when declared in default last March.

Norfolk Capital sells Sloane Club

By Martin Waller

Norfolk Capital Group, the hotels company which is locked in a battle with dissident shareholders, has agreed to sell its Sloane Club in London, for £18 million in a move which is likely to spark fresh controversy.

The Sloane Club, which started life in 1922 for the use of lady officers in the armed forces, was bought in May 1988 by Norfolk, for £14.5 million. But it experienced problems developing the residential club within the four and five star market of its St James clubs.

The disposal adds fuel to the row over Norfolk's future. The dissidents, led by Mr Peter Tyrie's Balmoral International hotels group, are attempting to unseat

the existing management at an extraordinary meeting on January 29.

"This is a rushed sale at a low price by a management that have lost their way, said a Balmoral spokesman. "It proves the wisdom of Balmoral's strategy,"

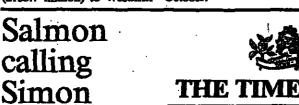
Mr Tyrie said his proposals for the extraordinary meeting include a block on any further acquisitions or disposals by the group. "I think it would be rather unwise for them to do anything before a major meeting like that. "It's probably the first big disposal since about 1986. It makes a mockery of the whole direction

in which they are going." But Norfolk confirmed completion of the deal is set for January 18, well before the egm. The sale is to Thomas Peterson Associates, a private company making

its first entry into hotels. The proceeds will be used to cut Norfolk's £70 million borrowings, cutting gearing to about 25 per cent of shareholders' funds. Its shareholders are braced for a war of

words between the management and Mr Tyrie, who is attempting to put his own candidates on the board. Within a fortnight the first broadside from the management, headed by the managing director, Mr Peter Eyles, will go out.

A spokesman for Norfolk said the disposal is unconnected with Mr Tyrie's attack and has been under negotiation for six months. The disposal of the club is part of a "continuous review of the company's portfolio." It made £1.06 million trading profits in the first 11 months of last year.



From Our Correspondent, Sydney

Senior bankers rallied behind and Mr Russell Goward, its

chairman.

restructuring.

However, Westmex's prin-

cipal creditors, the State Bank of New South Wales and

Westpac Banking Corp, yes-

terday affirmed their backing

for the heavily geared com-

Mr Goward, who owns 26 per cent of Westmex, dis-

closed last month he was

considering an Aus\$100 mil-

partial takeover of the com-

pany to return it to an even

The planned revamp, which

from a peak of \$1.30 last

No alighting in the well John Wilson, chairman of Perch Bird Control, one of Peter Cox Group, the property Cox's subsidiaries, was in the preservation specialist, now process of netting off a lighting admits that some of the work well to protect it from pigeon carried out by his employees goes right over his head. He cites a meeting he attended on the sixth floor of Banque Eagle Star's headquarters in Indosnez's Bishopsgate of St Mary Axe, where concealed fices, with Financière wires have been implanted to Indosucz managing director scare pigeons away. Mean-Anton Bodley Jacobus, to while Banque Indosucz is to structure his £10.8 million launch a specialist managemanagement buyout from ment buyout division this year John Mowlem Group. While - but it will not be using there, he was answare that No pigeons to spread the news.

P&D poser A clue for a crossword published in the Financial Times PIRTAR



"How else do we pay our business rates?"

just before Christmas, seems to have struck a chord with brokers at Phillips & Drew Fund Management. The clue was as follows: "Military planning record is for jerks." The answer was: "Logistics." The joke apparently lies in the friendly rivalry between the different divisions at Phillips & Drew, with those working in the investment side apt to mock logistics and vice-versa. And the analogy between military planning and logistics is, now particularly appropriate following Phillips & Drew's takeover by UBS and the creation of the logistics division - which handles such matters as personnel, accounting, information technology and messages - based along Swiss management lines, "It has caused a great deal of laughter here," said one fund

Hestair history After 19 successive years, 1990 will almost certainly be

the last for David Hargreaves as the chairman of Hestair, the former root harvester and dustcart manufacturer that droppings. Such lofty work has, he reveals, also gone on at the twin golden eagles atop Eagle Star's headquarters in

has now switched into employment agencies. By January 1991 either Adia, the Swiss conglomerate, or BET, its British counterpart, will be at the helm. But the £190 million tussle between the two bidders for Hestair is far from being the worst crisis that . Hargreaves has had to endure. As one of the few acquisition vehicles set rolling during the Barber boom to survive the 1974 stock market crash, Hargreaves has recently been reflecting over the past decade or two. "After the crash we were capitalized at just £630,000 in a year when our profits turned out to be £2 could not get anyone to lend us the money to take it off the market," he recalls, adding that Hestair's shares tumbled from 176p to 12p. The panic at that time had to be seen to

million before tax, yet we be believed, he says. Indeed he vividiy remembers lunching with one well known chairman of a public company whom he refuses to identify and who told him that there would be fighting in the streets by Christmas adding as a parting shot that "the end of capitalism as we know it" was at hand. ● Sign in a London green-

grocery shop, attached to a display of bananas: "Please don't separate us - we grew up Carol Leonard

BUSINESS LETTERS

Clowes affair displays DTI's lack of will

Sir, Comment about the Department of Trade's negfigence in its regulation of Barlow Clowes, fails to take responsibility to its proper level. The conclusions of the Ombudsman make the same

Not only has the DTT's negligence as a company regulating body been widely known for many years, but some 18 years ago it was specifically reported to Parhament in terms by the Tribunal of Enquiry then held into the DTI's regulation of the Vehicle and General Insurance Co Ltd. In front of that tribunal, all the same hame excuses were trotted out by the DTI, as Mr Nicholas Ridley trots out again now on the DTI's behalf — lack of appropriate powers to regulate companies, the endless hours DII officials spent failing to make decisions in one case

after another, etc etc. But it was clear from the report of the V&G tribunal that even then the DTI did not really lack the powers necessary to regulate companies or investigate their affairs. What it lacked was the will to

It was accumulating one power after another, building up to an extremely complex network of powers, but then it failed to use these powers even in the most obvious major

Charge on charge? Traveller's plea

From Mr Peter Rayner Sir, My Local Authority has Mattsson sent forms for completion for navment of the Community Charge by Direct Debit.

It is proposed that monthly payments shall start on 23rd April presumably to meet the demands of the automated

Previously rates had been paid monthly starting on 1st May.
I believe most people are

paid by the 25th or 26th of each month and it would surely be better if debits were submitted on 26th.

If debit entry on 23rd creates an overdraft are we all going to be charged com-Yours faithfully, PETER RAYNER,

Cedars. Sandy Lane, Kingswood, Surrey. December 28.

Specifically, the V&G tribunal some 18 years ago found the DTI to have been negligent because although undoubtedly officials spent endless hours considering the V&G case and produced vast piles of papers and documents about it, the department never did anything effective to investigate this highly suspect major com-pany under the powers which it had, even then, until finally

it was too late and the The V&G tribunal's report specifying all this in great detail was duly presented to Parliament and debated in the House of Commons.

On the one hand, nearly all the MPs on the Labour side who spoke had been got at by the civil service union lobby and most parroted the union line that the DTI officials involved were union members and must be protected against unfair attack (sic). On the other hand, the Conscrvatives were for the most part concerned to defend the Under

No-one really bothered about the implications for the public of the calamitous situaion at the DTI which the V&G tribunal had uncovered, and apart from "noting" the tribunal's report, Parliament did absolutely nothing about it, each side in Parliament being concerned for its petty

usual protections built into credit cards, it is bound to be From Mrs Gunilla Willisworn out before time, get stuck in unattended underground ticket barriers, be a

Sir, I would be grateful for words of wisdom from fellow travellers; I have just accepted my employer's offer of an interest-free loan for an annual travel card.

Studying this little piece of paper - worth £328 - I see it is called "Gold Capitalcard" which makes sense consid-However it has none of the

Alphas on the cheap

From John Vincent Sir, About the euthanasia of the private investor, what is wrong with alpha stocks being made buyable on the National Savings Register, i.e. extremely cheaply?

Norman Lamont says no. on the grounds that the price would vary between posting and execution. This however applies to purchases of gilts, so

Cost counted in taxation party interest and neither side for the public good.

Thus Parliamnet itself was From Mr William Davies negligent and indeed it is Sir. Mrs Bushell (December always negligent when it al-28) has thanked you on behalf lows itself to be manipulated of the 18,500 Barlow Clowes by narrow sectional interests investors, and I now write, on and pressure groups instead of behalf of 40 million taxpayers representing the public good. to say how disgusted we are Parliament itself, and not the with use of their taxes to continuing blunders at the provide the greedy, grasping DTI, is responsible for the and garrulous investors with maladministration which has the penny, the bun, and, if not the "Baker's" shop, the "Ridpervaded the DTI's Companies Branch at least for the

past 18 years. And Parliament

alone can correct (and indeed

apologize to the nation for) the

problems of gross maladmin-

istration that have thus been

allowed to pervade the com-

panies sphere for so long. This

time, let everyone note, and require Parliament to note

too, that this is not, and for a

long time never has been, a

question of lack of powers - it

world, and not a thing will

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guaranteed a couple of thousand of electors' votes, but they have lost millions of others who have invested carefully and wisely, thus ensuring their capital remains intact and not gambled away, and now they have to pay for their prudence to give gamblers a return which they had no right to whatsoever.

is simply a question of lack of will at the DTI that needs to WILLIAM DAVIES. be addressed. Until it is 7 Fields Park Gardens. addressed. Parliament can Newport, pass all the laws and give the DII all the powers in the

Trade failings

From the Managing Director of Enfield Polymers Ltd Sir, Having heard recently of the vast number of new hotels in Bangkok, I contacted the Thailand desk of the DTI to find an agent to represent us there. We manufacture products which are particularly suited to their needs.

I was told that they had very little relevant information and if I needed help they could contact our embassy there. They also said it would cost me a fee to get this information which, by the sound of it, would take a long time in coming through.

Considering the Balance of Payments situation, surely embassies abroad should be more active and the DTI more aware of conditions throughout the world and only too pleased to supply such infor-mation free of charge to would-be exporters. Yours faithfully, RAYMOND F. LAW, Managing Director, Enfield Polymers Ltd. Triangle Works, Claverings Estate Montagu Road, N9.

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WORLD MARKETS

Frankfurt starts year with record

others from liberalization in

Eastern Europe. One dealer

said: "Things still look pos-

itive for the next days, the next

weeks and the next months."

market jolted by political jit-

ters. The Hang Seng index closed 1.5 up at 2,838.07. The

broader-based Hong Kong in-dex closed up 1.24 at 1,862.57.

• Sydney - The All-Ord-inaries index closed 4.9 up at

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One trader said: "There has been massive buying of blue chips and people are just not ready to sell at these levels." The DAX ended 24.01

points, or 1.3 per cent, higher at 1,814.38. Its previous high • Singapore - The Straits Times industrial index of 1,805.01 was set on Thursday, the final trading day of

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New York (Reuter) - The Dow Jones industrial average were almost evenly matched. was up by a point to 2,754.2 at Biue chips dominated the ac-

Prices erased their losses and rose after the government reported that US construction spending rose by 1.5 per cent in November and the purchasing managers' group reported that its index rose to 48.0 per

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mid-morning after being down 12 points at the opening. tive list. Toys R Us, a speciality retailer, jumped by 2% to

The company said that its Christmas sales were 22.7 per cent above the similar period a

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The results of a poll carried out by MORI for the News of the World in November shows, however, that public opinion is much more complex and evenly weighted than some of our ators would have us believe. For a start there is no overwhelming belief that newspapers behave irresponsibly. To the question, "On balance, do you agree or disagree that the press generally behaves responsibly in Britain?", 46 per cent agreed and 49 per cent disagreed. Nevertheless, it is abundantly clear

that the public is worried about intrusions into people's Aπ majority (76 per cent) believe that

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lives of public figures. All the same, when asked more specific questions, the public supported intrusion to expose criminal conduct (90 per cent), political extremism (67 per cent), matters of potential public interest (59 per cent) and, interestingly enough, "to expose personal hypocrisy such as a politician or trade union leader who proclaims support for family life while having an affair" (55 per cent).

True to form the public cares most about cruelty to animals. Asked "If ordinary people are involved in scandals, is it right or wrong to report them?", no fewer than 95% said "right" for cases involving cruelty to animals, 94 per cent for child abuse, 92 per cent for acts of vandalism, but only 25 per cent in cases of adultery.

In fact there appears to be a strong belief that the sexual activities of public figures, where questions of hypocrisy do not arise, should be left alone. Seventy six per cent of the public thought newspapers were wrong to publicaze a story about the secret affair of England's football manager, and 51 per cent felt the same about a television presenter's consorting with call girls. Equally, 78 per-cent thought it was wrong to pay Pamells Bordes for her story. Of those polled, 84 per cent condemned shy payment to Marina Ogilvy, Princess Alexandra's

Payments for stories, in general, appear to arouse considerable disapproval. Payments to criminals, their ifriends or associates are strongly condemned, as are payments to royal servants or police officers. And most people (53 per cent) think it is wrong for newspapers to pay politicians for their memoirs. Presumably people feel that ex-Ministers have already been well paid by the taxpayer for their political services and dearges no more. On the other band and deserve no more. On the other hand payments to victims of crime and to sports stars are approved. There is strong support for the view that, where newspapers give only one side of a story, a person involved should get a right to

eply, and even damages. But what remedy does the public support to correct any serious errors? It is fascinating to discover that only a minority (29 per cent) seek to reform

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will soon begin to draw up its own recommendations. Of course, it will not be influenced directly by any indications of what the public is nking. But its members might realise that parliamentary opinion and public' opinion can be very different.

number of politicians want to get back at the newspapers for one reason or another. On the evidence of this one opinion poll - and of course the full questionnaire contained even more detail - the public is indeed seriously concerned about cases of intrusion and the right of reply, but less than a third want new legislation to put things right. Indeed if there is to be any new legislation a majority (56 per cent) would like to see the introduction of a Freedom of Information Act similar to that of the United States.

Some people may think that the British love of animals, revealed again in this poll, is so excessive that it casts doubt on the nation's sanity. But on their main conclusions about the press perhaps the British are not so crazy

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Andrew Lycett on a new magazine for journalists

20,000 journalists around Britain will find a new, free peri-odical on their desks Wednesday. Journalist's Week, which will also be avilable from limited outlets at £1 a copy, is a controlled carculation magazine from the same Robert Maxwell-owned stable as Media Week. It aims to challenge the established UK Press Gazette as the main weekly medium for journalistic news and recruitment

advertising.
With the raised level of interest in media topics from the Broadcasting Bill through libel awards to Press Council reform — its success seems assured. Or is it?

Predictably, perhaps, Tony Loynes, editor and publisher of the Gazette, is not so certain. Although he welomes "healthy compe he believes Maxwell may have missed the boat commercially. Recruitment advertising has fallen away. Even we are only doing half what we did last year," he says.

Paul Sparks, associate publisher of Journalist's Week, is undeterred. He argues that there are other areas of iournalism-related advertising which have been neglected by the Gazette. He particularly notes peripheral equipment. "Journalists want to know what sort of tape-recorder they

should buy," he says.

Sparks claims that Journalist's Week will be more prac-

As Britain's holiday industry begins its annual drive to fill up foreign hotel rooms for the summer season, one small Spanish town has a particularly difficult task on its hands.

The cheap end of the package holiday market is being squeezed from two sides: high interest rates are forcing some to stay at home, while others, disenchanted with poor nodation and service, are looking up-market. Bookings are expected to be down on previous years, which means a gloomy outlook for some package holiday firms, and for many of the resorts traditionally favoured by British sun-seekers.

But the town of Salou, 60 mile south of Barcelona, is also faced with the urgent need to restore its image after a typhoid scare last August that received blanket media coverage, and virtually wrecked its tourist industry. Amid reports of raw sewage flowing in the streets and on the beaches, Thomson, the leading tour operator,



tical than its rivals. As well as product information, its interviews with established journalists will seek to impart tips on specific skills, such as City or court reporting. Editors will be quizzed on their freelance rates, and sub-editors will learn more about the different electronic editing systems.

Although Journalist's Week shares an office with its sister magazine, Media Week, five years old next month, the two naners are editorially distinct; the former specifically tar-getting journalists, and the latter aimed at buyers and

sellers of advertising space Sparks, formerly marketing manager at EMAP Maciaren, has recruited an editorial team of eight. Editor of the new magazine is Mike Hewitt, a former editor of The Publisher. He is assisted by Caroline Banks, until recently editor of Newspaper Focus, the Haymarket publication aimed

at newspaper management.

Journalist's Week will reach a broader cross-section of iournalists than the Gazette, with its "regional newspaper bias", Sparks says. He admits, however, that he has had

difficulty obtaining lists of employees from some national newspaper manage-ments, which may limit the paper's penetration.

Loynes, a former deputy

editor of the Evening Stai Ipswich, seizes on this detail to trumpet the advantages of the Gazette, which has a paid-for ABC circulation of 10,404. People actually pay for my publication," he says.

He argues that this is much more attractive to advertisers than a controlled circulation magazine, which necessarily be posted to journalists at their place of work, and which may not even reach them.

Loynes is sceptical about his new rival's desire to expand the advertising market in this field. "How many journalists buy their own equipment? Manufacturers know that it is much more cost-effective to approach managements di-rect. Frankly, there is a limited number of areas in which a publication of this sort can

expect to take revenue." Although he admits to "sharpening up our act a little," Loynes dismisses his rival's formula as "didactic". He wonders whether there is really the widespread interest in media topics which journalists like to think.

This view is not recognized by Geoffrey Goodman, editor of the British Journalism Review, the quarterly publication whose second issue is published later this month. Goodman, formerly industrial editor of the Daily Mirror, puts the BJR's success - some 1,000 subscribers - down to 'an extraordinary explosion of interest in the trade".

This Friday, Goodman returns as presenter of Radio 4's weekly programme Stop Press, which looks behind the news to see how journalists are reporting it. If Journalist's Week can tap some of the energy which inspires series like this, and Channel 4's Hard News, it could succeed.

Costa confidence

Advertising cheap holidays hits a new pitch

offered 30,000 holidaymakers the choice of an alternative destination or their money back. Up to 60,000 tourists were reported to have cancelled bookings at the resort.

Now Salou plans to restore confidence with the help of a public relations and marketing campaign
Pippa isobel's London-based com-

pany PIPR, has been talking with Salou representatives to mount the campaign, to be funded by the town's hoteliers in conjunction with the local Catalan government. Isobel says it will tell travel agents and tour operators of the improvements made to Salou's water supply, which include a new purification plant. "It will probably also involve taking some journalists there see for them-selves," she adds.

Isobel does not believe, however, that a large-scale advectising campaign aimed at the general public will be the best way to solve Salou's problems. "It's essentially a travel-trade problem," she explains. "The

consumer's memory is very short." Some ground has already been won in the battle to regain travel industry confidence. Kevin Ivie, sales and marketing director of Intasun, who has been to Salou, says: "The area that was affected was one small part at the end of the resort."

Thomson, whose mass evacuation

featured in many of the tabloid reports, did not include Salou in its winter brochure, but says it will in summer. Peter Rothwell, marketing director of the travel agent Lunn Poly, says: "We are selling holidays in Salou, but in reduced numbers."

The typhoid scare could not have come at a worse time for all concerned. Britain's package holiday industry is undergoing one of the worst recessions in its short history; most estimates predict the number of holidays sold in 1990 will be 25 per cent down on last year.

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Roy Greenslade, newly appointed editor of the Daily Mirror, talks to Colin Dunne

Greenslade worked in the Daily Mirror office in Holborn, London, he had shoulder-length hair and wore platform-soled shoes and a seethrough shirt. He borrowed a fur coat from his wife and many of his ideas from Chairman Mao. When he returns to the Mirror on February I his bespoke Donegal tweeds will be a little more subdued, which is only as it should be. This time, he's

There are bigger papers than the outside the building for an editor.

Mirror, and no doubt there are And what has it got? A man who has better papers, too. But for many journalists no newspaper has quite the same glow of glamour, however faded it may be these days, and to edit the Mirror still remains, for them, the ultimate dream.

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he last time Roy even asking what the salary was. The man who was once a thorn in the side of management - "I think I made life miserable for the Mirror Group generally," he confesses - has now been hired to employ that passion in the Mirror's running battle with The Sun.

It is, in a minor sort of way, a historic moment. Traditionally, the Mirror has always prided itself on being self-sufficient in matters of talent, and this is the first time for many years that it has looked And what has it got? A man who has worked on almost every tabloid in Fleet Street, including five years at the elbow of the tempestuous Kelvin MacKenzie at The Sun, and the past three, rather more soberly, as associate editor of The Sunday Times.



"I would like it to be a campaigning newspaper": Greenslade makes plans

congratulation to Greenslade he said he was looking forward to the tussles ahead. The feeling is mutual. Greenslade, who turned 43 this week, is not without inside information about his new job: he is married to Noreen Taylor, one of the most stylish of the Mirror's writers. They live in a Georgian terraced house in Islington, have a flat in Brighton, and another house which they

recently bought in Donegal. He is a difficult man to classify. He loves Wagner and Beethoven,

One, two, three for 5...

Timing is crucial in Channel 5's bid for viewers, Sue Stoessl argues

Billie Holliday. He prefers history to modern novels. He drinks Guinness. He has small appetite for television outside of news programmes, and at the moment is a little depressed by the thought that his new appointment may mean he will have to watch Neighbours. He is quick-witted, intelligent, and a little mischievous.

but also Joan Armatrading and

His career divides neatly at the age of 30. At Dagenham Grammar School, in Essex, where he ran the

room to courting couples, and the library table to shove-ha'penny players; when the headmaster heard about this display of entrepreneurial enterprise he helped Greenslade find a job on a local paper, with the warning that he would never be good enough for The Times. Next came Fleet Street, and his affair with passionate politics.
At the age of 30, he decided he

library, he used to rent out the store-

needed more education. He read politics at Sussex University, a process which, he says, deradicalized him. He plunged back into journalism and was soon scaling the executive ladder. Some of his old employers were understandably nervous. "Tell me," said a Sun management man before Greenslade was taken to meet Rupert Murdoch, "am I right in thinking that you are not the same Roy Greenslade who left here in 1973?" Greenslade was happy to confirm that he was a very different man indeed.

t 7.50 am on Boxing Day he received a call from Robert Maxwell. For a moment he thought it might be a joke call from a friend who had tried a similar hoax in the past. Luckily, he recognized the real thing. Before that he had met Maxwell only twice: once at dinner, and once in court when he was testifying for The Sun in a copyright wrangle with the Mirror. But by that afternoon the job was his.

What will Greenslade's Mirror be like? "I would like to get back to more politics in the paper, more sociology and global reporting, with-out losing the essential element of entertaining. I would also like it to be a campaigning newspaper, fight-ing for justice on social issues. Politically, I think Kinnock has made the Labour Party electable again, and we will be foursquare

> ficient time to prepare for 1993 launch. But, if the ITC awards the Channel 3 fran-chises first, Channel 5 would not get on the air until 1994. By then cable and satelline television will be further developed, and the new Channel 3 stations will have settled down.

One of the reasons Channel 5 was first thought of was to give the advertising industry additional airtime linked to increased commercial audiences. A start date of 1994 would not do this; by then, the pay-film channels will have further reduced the available commercial audience. For Channel 5 to be successful, a January 1993 launch is

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until 1985, when he joined Vladislav Starkov, Argumenty I Fakty's editor-in-chief, he has a quick mind and fluent English and

French.
"The difference between Argu-menty I Fakty and other Soviet newspapers, long before giasnost," he says, was the tone. Where they preached, we described; where they asserted, we asked questions."

Mesirchersky: "We ask the questions"

The English Arguments and Facts International is actually the come to life when he spoke creation of a Hastings-based not at, but with scots journalist-publisher.
Stuart Christie, aged 42, who became intrigued with the Soviet weekly about two years ago. "I was stunned by its ago. I was stumen by its intellectual and journalistic quality," he says. "But most of all, by its total independence" dence,

He invited Starkov and Meshchersky to London, where they spent time at The Economist. "By last June we had decided how to do it," he says. So far, Christie has financed the venture. "The company that owns the Meshchersky says, "earns millions, but we exist on a pittance." Christie says the Soviet weekly is owned by the Knowledge Society (Znanie), an organization of millions of academics all over

the Soviet Union.
"We get 6 per cent of the income." Meshchersky says.

"And we operate with 20 journalists, from an office which consists of two Moscow

A & F International subscription £60 a year - aims at business people and academics interested in the Soviet Union's potential. It comprises articles and readers' letters from Argumenty I Fakty chosen by the Soviet editors and translated in Moscow. A Union.

The deputy editor, Alexander Meshchersky, aged 42, was in London for the launch. A diplomat at the UN in Geneva view of Soviet life I have seen.

"It is true, we are very critical-minded; we believe in questions rather than rhetoric or ideology," Meshchersky

says. "We are concerned about Gorbachov and his developing liking for power - and we say so. At the same time, we know and he knows we know - that he is irreplaceable. I was in Leningrad in 1985 when Gorbachov made his first walkabout in the

streets. Nobody who saw the people not at, but with them - will

> nd that is exactly what Argumenty I Fakty reflected by its English sibling - attempts: a dialogue with the public. "The Soviet Union's daily problems are largely economic," Meshchersky says. "But beyond that, and far more fundamental for the people, is that in order to succeed in the essential changes Gorbachov knows must be achieved, and which are opposed by some still very powerful people, he must destroy the system which made him. The question we, as a paper, and our 60-odd million readers with us are asking every week on every page is, can he do it?"

Gitta Sereny Arguments and Facts International, PO Box 35, Hastings, East Sussex TN34 2UX.

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it is difficult to see the need for Channel 5. But the equipment amount of time they watch. needed to receive the new terrestrial channel will be

vice. If it is to be an advertising-financed station, its revenue will depend on the number of people able to receive the signal and the Channel 5 must aim for about 10 per cent of the British

viewing andience in order to attract sufficient revenue to provide the programmes that the viewer will want to watch. If this level of viewing is achieved, some of that audi-The level of Channel 5's success will depend on two ence will come from ITV. As ITV viewing declines, so will major factors — the programmes to be shown and the its revenue and, in con-

programmes will disappear. These will be programmes that appeal to, and are made specifically for, a British audience. They are likely to be the more expensive ones, such as drama. If Channel 5 is to gain an

audience share of 10 per cent and provide the viewer with the programmes that ITV will no longer be able to afford to make, the starting date for the new service is very important. The new Channel 3 franchises will start on January 1. 1993. It is likely that there will starting date of the new ser- sequence, a number of its be some new license holders.

as there have been at each previous franchise round. With the addition of the 'highest bidder" requirement to the applications there is likely to be more change in programming companies than on the two previous franchise

Every time there has been a change of company supplying the programme schedule to an area, the audience has reduced significantly, it has taken some time for it to adapt to the new programmes or the new scheduling of old pro-grammes. Meanwhile, the company would have suf-

BBC channels have picked up more viewers. If Channel 5 is to get a large

enough audience, it is very important for it to start at the same time as the new Channel 3 companies. This would enable Channel 5 to take advantage of audience uncertainty.

How could Channel 5 get on the air by January 1993? The only way would be for the ITC to go to tender for Channel 5 before Channel 3's tenders are announced. If the Channel 5 contract was awarded at the beginning of 1991, the new consultant and former head of company would have suf-

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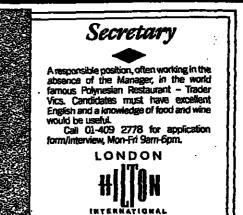
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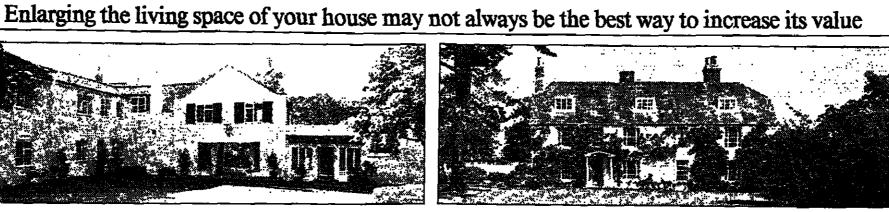
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There has in any case been a trend in recent years to graft another room or two on to a house, or simply to make something out of the roof area, both for the extra space and the increased saleability. The games room and nursery may have been in the vocabulary for generations, but the concept of the granny flat, for example is a recent development. borne of a mixture of necessity, convenience and desirability.

Though perfectly justifiable, such changes should not be under-taken lightly, as Ian Dickson, manager of the Shepherd's Bush office of the Greater London agents Winkworth explains. The most common type of extension, he says, is still the loft conversion, largely because it is a good way to create extra living space from an under-used area. Ground and first-floor extensions are also popular. Dickson urges that care be taken to ensure there is enough ground area to take an extension comfortably, because if built at the expense of the garden, it may

actually detract from the house. He explains: "There is a fine balance between the building cost and added valued gained from an



Successful developments: the Coach House (above) at Godalming, a Victorian house in 20 acres of grounds, and Outwood House at Outwood, which dates from the 18th century

extension. For anyone thinking of extending their house, my advice would be to do it only if it is for your own benefit, not to increase the value of the property."

He argues that, as a general rule,

it is better in terms of value to create distinctly separate rooms, be it a second reception room or fourth bedroom, rather than ex-tend an existing room. Problems can also arise if too much is done to a house. An extensive addition

III The Old Rectory at Letchworth, Hertfordshire, was the home of the Rev G.K. Olivier from 1920-31, and thus home for the young Laurence, for whom a belcony was built to enable him to sleep outside as much as possible to alleviate a chest condition. The house, built at the turn of the century, has three reception rooms and four bedrooms, and was in church ownership until 1988. It has since been renovated, keeping its original features such as the fireplaces, and decorated in Edwardian period style. Strutt & Parker's

to a three-bedroom Victorian cottage, for example, might give it a sort of identity crisis, because it would no longer be a small ter-raced cottage, but equally it would not be in a road or situation that reflected its new-found status as a

"In the current market," he says, "people may well be considering the extension option. But, ultimately, the people who take this route will be mainly those

St Albans office is asking £275,000.

A sauna suite and a 27ft drawing room with vaulted cellings are two of the tanusual features of a penthouse apartment created within a Victorian church. The former St Mary's Church in Stamford Brook Road, west London, was built in 1869 and converted into figsts four years and The penthouse apartment on

years ago. The penthouse apartment on two floors has three bedrooms and three

four- or five-bedroom house.

who want to remain in a particular house for the long term." His office is selling a Victorian

IN THE MARKET

terrace house just off the Green at Shepherd's Bush. The extension works well at that locale. It is an 18ft-long kitchen/breakfast room leading to the garden, adding to a two-bedroom house with one reception room. The asking price is £149,950. Paul Daykin, manager of Winkworth's New Malden office in Surrey, advises that in

general, extensions are not in themselves a selling point "unless you look at self-contained accommodation, such as a granny or staff flat, which is aimed at what is a limited and perhaps restricted sector of the market.

Jeremy Stanley-Smith, of the Lymington, Hampshire office of Fox & Sons, which has branches throughout the south of England. has noted that a number of families sell two properties and

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batterooms, and the study has three original stained-glass windows in exposed brick arches. Jackson-Stops & Staff's Fulham office is asking £395,000.

If Bradfield Hall, once the home of the 18th-century agricultural writer Arthur Young, who did more than anyone to assist the change from medieval to modern agriculture in Britain, is undergoing an equally remarkable conversion.

move into the area with a parent, having the cash benefit of two sales, and buy either one house with a granny flat already in being, or convert existing accommodation. He offers two cautionary pieces

of advice. First, a clash of personalities under one roof can arise, manifest by early instructions to sell and move again", and second, the conversion of a garage into accommodation may in the future

The house, in 18 acres near Bury St The house, in 18 acres near Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, is being transformed into eight apartments, with several new-build cottages and cottage conversions in the grounds. A helicopter landing pad, coarse-fishing facilities, indoor swimming pool, bowling green, floodlit tennis court and golf driving range are among the communal facilities on offer. Prices range from £50,000 for a bedsit to £230,000 for a four-bedroom house through Bairstow Eves Land and New Homes Division at Chelmsford, and Strutt & Division at Chelmsford, and Strutt & Parker's Ipswich office.

make the property less, not more, valuable.

Taking these provisos into account, the property with its extension or self-contained flat has its market, because it is in many cases a desirable answer to the problem of housing staff, guests or grannies.

Fox & Sons is selling a fourbedroom house at Kingsdown, Crawley, Hampshire, which has an adjoining self-contained annexe. The house, built in 1966, is on one level and could be ideal for a large family. It is set in grounds of more than half an acre, and the asking price is £290,000.

That annexe was purpose-built Most are not. Savills's Guildford office is selling the Coach House in Hascombe, near Godalming, Surrey, an early Victorian house with three reception rooms and five bedrooms set in 20 acres of grounds which include a swimming pool, tennis court and loose

In the east wing is a selfcontained cottage with two recep-tion rooms and two bedrooms, and the property has a guide price of £1.1 million. Through their West End and Sevenoaks offices, Savills is offering Outwood House at Outwood in Surrey, dating from the early 18th century. Here, in about eight acres, the house has four reception rooms and six bedrooms, with a staff or guest cottage recently built in the grounds. The agents are asking £800,000.

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centre of the capital and those planned in the next few years reached the highest level recorded in the last decade, Jones Lang Wootton, the international property adviser, re-ports. Examining organizations relocating 100 jobs or more, its relocation survey shows that in 1989, 20 moves were completed, compared with 21 in 1988 and 16 in 1983-88. Twenty-three moves are planned for 1990.

In 1989, there was a sharp increase in the number of com-panies planning moves. The survey finds that 26 organizations, nearly a third of them in the public sector, plan to relocate from central London during 1991-93.
At least 23 organizations are considering relocating part or all of their operations.

Last year, 7,170 jobs were decentralized from central London, the highest level since 1976, of which 42 per cent went elsewhere in London, notably to

Decentralization from offices in the centre of the capital is on the increase

Hammersmith and Docklands. Moves planned for 1990 involve 8,780 jobs, at least 10,390 of them scheduled for 1991, the highest number recorded since the Location of Offices Bureau began monitoring decentralization in 1964. The level for 1991 is largely influenced by moves to Canary Wharf on the Isle of Dogs in Docklands by three companies — Credit Suisse First Boston, Merrill

Lynch and Morgan Stanley. The average size of move has also increased, to 359 jobs in 1989 from 253 the previous year. The projections, based on future moves, show an average for 1990 of 382 jobs, then jump to 708 jobs for 1991 onwards, almost entirely through decentralizations. representing more than 1,000 jobs, which have been planned well in advance because of their scale.

Key factors in increasing the size of moves include the availability of large amounts of floor space in London, particularly in Docklands, and the number of large moves planned by the Gov-ernment. The biggest move to take place last year was by Associated Newspapers which relocated 1,800 jobs from Fleet Street to Kensington. Known moves scheduled to take place in the next few years include the Pearl Group, which will complete its phased move of 1,600 jobs to Peterborough in 1991, and the Department of Employment, which is relocating 1,300 jobs from central London to

Of moves planned for 1990 onwards, half are out of the southeast. A quarter of the total is going to the south-west, others, mainly

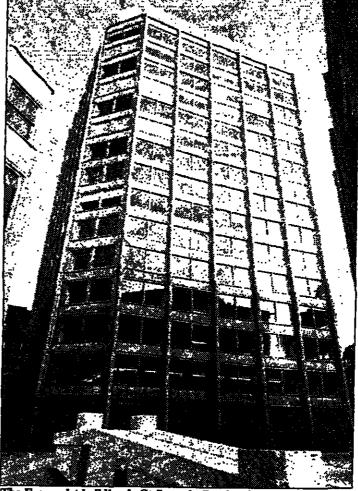
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in the public sector, to the Midlands, East Anglia and the

The service sector continues to make the most moves, but the Government has emerged as a prime factor, accounting for 11 future decentralizations, involving 26 per cent of the jobs. Since the survey, two further government moves have been announced.

In recent years, the main factors behind decentralization have been property and labour costs, followed by organizational reasons, including the need to consolidate operations. There is one significant change in the reasons given for future moves - labour availability. Employment is forecast to increase faster than the labour supply in central London over the next few years, resulting in an increase in skill shortages.

Concern about a shortage of labour accounted for 11 per cent of all reasons given for a move in the



The Economist building in St James's, London SW1, is available for letting after a £15 million refurbishment programme to modernize it. Most of the landmark building, designed in 1964 by Peter and Alison Smithson — among the few architects to have a building listed in their lifetime — is occupied by magazine, but surplus space is available on a floor-by-floor basis. Each consists of 3,500 sq ft, and the joint agents, Baker Harris & Saunders and Daniel Smith, are seeking £250,000 a year for each floor. The refurbishment, with air-conditioning and full-access raised floors, was carried out by Skidmore Owings & Merrill.

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The site comprises the former Courage Brewery, Reading Transport bus depot and a car park. The project was approved after it received support through public consultation.

Findlater Mackie Todd & Co. a wine and spirits merchant, is setting its shop and office in Great Queen Street, Covent Garden. Debenham Tewson & Chinnocks is asking £1 million for the refurbished building.

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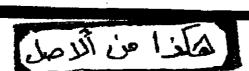
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Queen's Bench Divisional Court

capable of being reviewed by the process of judicial review.

Racing Club Ltd ([1983] 1 WLR

1302) the Court of Appeal had held that the authority of the stewards of the National Grey-hound Racing Club to suspend a

trainer's licence derived wholly

His Lordship was unable to find any satisfactory distinction

between the status of the stew

ards of the National Greyhound Racing Club and that of the

stewards of the Jockey Chib for the purpose of deciding the

present appeal.
Furthermore, the decision of

the Privy Council in Calvin v
Carr ([1980] AC 573) was of
some limited assistance to the
Jockey Club in the present case,
Judicial review had not been
raised there but it seemed clear
from the decision of the Privy

Council that it was considered that the Australian Jockey Club was not a body within the domain of public law and that the proceedings before the stewards of the club were domestic

ards of the club were domestic proceedings where the source of power was a consensual sub-mission to the jurisdiction. His Lordship would decide the issue of whether the de-cisions of the Jockey Club could be challenged by judicial review

in favour of the Jockey Chib.

MR JUSTICE ROCH

concurring, said that Mr Beloff had urged that the fact that the Jockey Club was now a creation

of a Royal Charter given under the Royal Prerogative was, because the Disciplinary Com-mittee of the Jockey Club were exercising a disciplinary func-tion, decisive of the first issue in

His Lordship disagreed. To accept that submission might

It would be possible for the

executive to take certain acts or decisions out of the domain of

public law by entrusting them to companies incorporated under the Companies Acts if the source of the body's existence

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were to be decisive.

lead in other cases to desirable results.

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free from authority. In Law v National Greyk

The matter was not, however

Law Report January 3 1990 Airports needed leave of court to seize aircraft

Bristol Airport pic and Another v Powdrill and Others Before Sir Nicolas Browns-Wilkinson, Vice-Chancellor, Lord Justice Woolf and Lord Justice Staughton (Judgment December 21)

Before an airport authority Before an airport authority could exercise the standary power under section 88 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982 to detain, pending payment of supplied charges, an aircraft belonging to an airtine which was the exhibit of an airtine which was the subject of an admin-istration order under the Insolvency Act 1986, the airport had so obtain leave of the court under section 11(3)(c) of the

The Court of Appeal so held in dismissing an appeal by Bristol Airport pic and Birmingham International Airport pic against a decision of Mr Justice Harman that leave was required in such circumstances. required in such circumstances and his refusal to grant the appellants leave to exercise the statutory right of detention over aircraft lessed and operated by Paramount Airways Ltd, a charter sirline operating under an administration order.

administration order.

The respondents were Roger Arthur Powdrill and Joseph Beaumont Atkinson, the appointed administrators of Paramount, Irish Aerospace Leasing Company who had leased the situation to Paramount and Air 2000. It to the second and the second at the second and the second are second as the second and second and second are second as the second and second are second as the second are second as the second as the second are second as the second as t 2000 Led the creditor which petitioned under the Insolvency Act for the administration order. Section 88 of the Civil Aviation Act 1982 provides:
"(1) Where default is made in

the payment of airport charges incurred in respect of any aircraft at an aerodrome . . . the (a) detain, pending payment, either (i) the aircraft in respect of which the charges were incurred . . . or (ii) any other aircraft of which the person in default is the operator. . " fault is the operator. . .

company's property ... except with the consent of the admin-strator or the leave of the court no execution or other legal process may be commenced or continued and no distress may be levied, against the company or its property except with the consent of the administrator or the leave of the court. . . "

Mr Gavin Lightman, QC and Mr Simon Mortimore for the airports; Mr Michael Crystal, QC and Mr Mark Phillips for the administrators; Mr Robert Webb, QC, Mr Michael Crane and Mr Gregory Hill for Air 2000; Irish Aerospace was not

SIR NICOLAS-BROWNE WILKINSON said that on Au-gust 7, 1989, the date the administration order was made, Paramount was insolvent and Bristol and Bismin ports were among the imsecured

The administration order was made for the purpose, inter alia, of ensuring the survival of Paramount and the whole or any part of its undertaking as a going concern. Two chartered accountants were appointed administrators,

On August 7, none of the aircraft operated by Paramount was at Bristol or Birmingham. It followed that if Paramount had gone into liquidation at that date, neither airport would have had any aircraft capable of being detained under the 1982 Act and they would have been unsecured creditors in the liquidation. All airport charges incurred during the course of the admin-

istration, including those pay-able to Burningham and Bristol, had been paid by the admin-istrators. The debts now due to ishings. The gens now one to the appellants were the same as those due on August 7.

On November 2, Bristol ob-tained leave to detain two aircraft operated by Paramount on an expansion and property of Mr.

on an ex parte application to Mr Justice Fishman. One aircraft was allowed to leave and the other remained detained until November 14. November 14.
On the same day Birmingham learned of that order and parked a lorry laden with concrete in front of a Paramount operated aircraft at Birmingham. Later that day Birmingham also acquired ex parte leave to detain pending an inter partes hearing. It was the decision of the internantes hearing which was now any any now.

partes hearing which was now under appeal.
The administrators contale administrators con-tended that the exercise of the statutory right of detention under section 88 fell within either section 11(3)(c), as being a step taken to enforce any sec-urity, or within section 11(3)(d), as being the leaving of a distress

as being the levying of a distress or "other proceedings". Issues under section 11(3)(c) Mr Lightman submitted that because the aircraft were only held by Paramount under chat-tel leases they were not "property".

His Lordship said that the

interests of Paramount under a lease of the aircraft was plainly poperty within the definition of section 436 of the Act. Was the statutery right of detention a "security over the company's property"? His Lordship said that

His Lordship said that whether or not the statutory right of detention was strictly to be regarded as a lien it would certainly fall within the description "other security" and the term "other security" in the Act ought not to be given anything other than its natural meaning. Was the exercise of the statutory right of detention a "step taken to enforce" a security
Mr Lightman argued that the

Mer Lagranian arguest that use mere retention of an aircraft was not the taking of a step to enforce security.

His Lordship said that although there were special features of the statutory right of detention conferred by section 88, the starting point had to be to discover what were the rights of the administrator to obtain possession of chattels from those claiming a right of reten-tion, the exercise of which

involved no positive action by the creditor save a refusal to comply with a request to hand over the chattel.

If retention under such

story lien did not require the leave of the court under section 11 that would be an eption to the normal rule. If the creditor claiming the lien was to be paid in full he would placed in a uniquely favourable position compared to all the other creditors.

The policy of the 1986 Act was plainly to impose a moratorium on the payment of debts save to the extent that the administrator chose to pay or

His Lordship therefore reached the conclusion that, in the case of an ordinary possessory lien, the assertion by the lien holder of a right to retain, constituted the taking of a step to enforce his security within section 11(3) of the Act and therefore, in default of agree-ment with the administrator, required leave of the court.
Did the special features of the right to detain under section \$8 lead to a different canclusion?

Mr Lightman argued that the overt act of detaining the air-craft was the act which created the security, not one which enforced it. Until there had been an overt act of detention the airport had no security at all: it merely enjoyed the statutory right to create the security by an act of detention. Therefore, such act of detention. Therefore, such detention could not be a step taken to enforce the security. His Lordship accepted that the airports enjoyed no actual security until they detained the aircraft by an overt act of detention. But he was not persuaded that, just because the overt act of detention created or analysis of the control of the

over act or occention created or perfected the security it was not also the taking of a step to enforce that security.

There was no legal reason why the same act should not have a dual effect as being both the perfection of the security and a step taken to enforce it. step taken to enforce it.

In his Lordship's judgment, the leave of the court to exercise the section 88 statutory poweer

of detention was required under section 11(3)(c).

Issues under section 11(3)(d)

The administrators claimed that by detaining the aircraft the airports were levying a distress within the section and that therefore the leave of the court was required. His Lordship was unable to agree.

The statutory right of detention lacked one essential feature of distraint: under the statutory right of detention, the aircraft was not taken into the possession of the airport in that the airport had no right to exclude the owner from the aircraft

His Lordship had no hesitation in rejecting the view that the detention of the aircraft was "other proceedings". The natural meaning of those words was that the proceedings in question were either legal proceedings or quasi-legal proceedings such as pussi-legal proceedings such as arbitration.

Index's exercise of discretion

The judge took into account

Mr Alper Rizz for the spplicant; Mr Richard Plender, QC and Mr David Pannick for the secretary of state.

the relevant factors in exercising his discretion. Therefore the exercise of discretion was not His Lordship would go fur-

ther and say that he completely agreed with the decision. If at the outset of an administration a secured creditor wished to en-force his security in a way inconsistent with the achievement of the statutory purpose he should have made his position

clear at the outset. To stand by and accept all the benefits of an administration and then at the eleventh hour seek to enforce a right which was inconsistent with the achievment of the statutory purpose was unacceptable.

The position in the instant case was worse in that it was only as a result of the operations of the administrators that the aircraft came to be at Bristol and

The airports were seeking to achieve an outcome where, as a result of the administration of the company under the order of the court, they achieved greater rights than they would have done had the company gone into liquidation on August 7.

While the administration procedures should not be used so far as possible to prejudice those who were secured creditors at the time when the administration order was made in lieu of a winding up order, nor should they be used so as to give the unsecured creditors at that time security which they would not have enjoyed had it not been for the administration.

LORD JUSTICE WOOLF, concurring said that he was concerned about the practical implications of the judgment. Although it was important that the clear policy of the 1986 Act should not be frustrated, it was as important that that policy should not result in

Regina v Secretary of State for

the Home Department, Ex

Turkish workers were not given

an enforceable right to freedom

of movement within the European Community by article 12

of the Association Agreement between the EEC and Turkey of

September 12, 1963 and article 36 of the Additional Protocol of

Mr Justice Kennedy so held in the Queen's Bench Division in

Narin, for judicial review of a deportation order made against

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Before Mr Justice Kennedy

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undue interference with the statutory rights of detention given to airport authorities under section 88 of the 1982 Act

The problems were made less serious because it was not the creation of the security which is prohibited by section 11(3)(c) but the taking of steps to enforce the security. You were not taking steps to

ess by force a security unl relying on the security you were preventing the administrator doing something to an aircraft which he would otherwise be entitled to do.

Taking the case of the or-dinary repairer who was entitled to retain goods until his charges were paid; unless and until someone who was entitled to ession of those goods sought to obtain possession the lien holder did not take steps to enforce his lien. The security which was given to the lien holder entitled him to

refuse to hand over the pos-session of the goods but until he made an unqualified refusal to hand over the goods he was not taking steps to enforce the security for the purposes of section 11(3)(c). Similarly, under section 88 of the 1982 Act it was only when the airport authority took steps to prevent what would other-

wise have been the lawful operation of the aircraft that it forced its security. While the same act could constitute the creation of the security and its enforcement, there was nothing to prevent the aerodrome authority creating their security prior to their taking steps to enforce the

Lord Justice Staughton delivered a concurring judgment. Solicitors: Evershed Wells &

Turkish workers have no EEC

right to freedom of movement

MR JUSTICE KENNEDY

said that that Mr Riza's argu-ment was that article 36 allowed

22 years in which to achieve, by

stages, free movement of workers between member states of

That transitional period was

now over and so free movement should be a reality of which the applicant was entitled to take

Mr Plender argued that the provisions concerned did not

produce direct effect in the sense

of giving rise to an obligation on

the part of the state upon which

the applicant as an individual

For that to happen the obliga-tion had to be clear and precise,

it had to be unconditional and it could not be subject to any necessity to adopt subsequent rules. The wording of those

the EEC and Turkey.

advantage.

Jockey Club decision cannot be reviewed

Regina v Disciplinary Cont-mittee of the Jockey Club, Ex-parte Massingherd-Mundy Before Lord Justice Neill and

Mr Justice Roch [Judgment December 20] It seemed probable that it was the public element in a body's decision rather than the source from which its powers were derived which was likely to provide the surest answer to the question whether the decisions of that body were susceptible to

judicial review.
In some cases it was enough to inquire whether the source of the powers of the body con-cerned was statutory or derived from the prerogative. In other cases it might be necessary to examine the nature of the duties which the body was called upon to perform to determine whether those duties were in the

patents interest.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so stated in refusing an application by Mr Adrian Massingberd-Mundy for udicial review of a decisi the Disciplinary Committee of the Jockey Club, made on July 14, 1988, that his name should be withdrawn from the list of those qualified to act as chairmen of panels of stewards. Mr Michael Beloff, QC and Mr Richard Drabble for the applicant, Mr Patrick Milmo, QC and Miss Susanne Fischer for the Jockey Club.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said

that for many years fist racing had been subject to the control of the stewards of the Jockey Club. Until about 1970 a similar control over steeplechasing and hurdle racing was exercised by the National Hunt Committee. On May 26, 1970 a Royal

articles was not such as to

produce clear precise obligations.

Overall what the agreement showed was the direction in

which it was hoped to progress,

not a precise destination un-equivocally to be reached by a

Further, in Demirel v Stadt Schwebisch Gnulad ([1989] 1 CMLR 421), which was directly in point, the Court of Justice of the European Communities had

held that article 12 of the

Agreement and article 36 of the Protocol were not so formulated

In his Lordship's judgment both on principle and on an-thority the secretary of state was

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as to produce direct effect.

certain time.

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corporate to be known by the name of "The Jockey Club"

(incorporating the National Hunt Committee).

The applicant had been closely associated with racing for many years and had been a local steward since 1970. In 1987 he had been the chairman at the Doncaster December meeting and before that he had been in the chair at Doncaster and also at Market Rasen and Southwell for about 70

applicant had chaired an inquiry into a race at Doncaster, his conduct of which had led the ery committee to contime the applicant's approval to act as a local steward but, basing themselves on what they had seen and read, to conclude that he should not continue to be a

The case for the applicant was, inter alia, that the decisions of bodies whose powers were derived from statute or statutory instrument or from a Royal Charter were in general susceptible to judicial review and that the procedure followed by the disciplinary committee had been manifestly unfair.

It had been argued, inter alia, on behalf of the Jockey Club that its decisions were not susceptible to judicial review because it was a domestic body which derived its jurisdiction from contract.

The disciplinary committee had denied that they had in any way acted unfairly. The stewards had to make decisions in the exercise of their discretion as to the persons who were suitable to act as local stewards and as His Lordship was not per-

suaded that the source of the powers of the Jockey Club could property be regarded as derived from the prerogative even though it had been set up under a Royal Charter.

On the other hand an examination of the Charter and of the country conferred on the

of the powers conferred on the Jockey Club strongly suggested that in some aspects of its work it operated in the public domain and that its functions were at least in part public or quasi-

public functions.

Accordingly, if the matter had been free from authority he might have been disposed to conclude that some decisions at

Aid in paper dismissal December 6, reminded solic-itors and counsel of Note In following the procedure for an appeal to be dismissed by

consent on paper without a hearing, where any party was legally sided, the dismissal by consent ("DBC") form should request legal aid taxation of his Donaldson Lord

Lymington, Master of the Rolls, sitting in the Court of Appeal with with Lord Justice Nicholls and Lord Justice Butler-Sloss on

In re K (a Minor)

stors and counsel of Note 59/1/11 under Order 59, rule 1 of the Rules of the Supreme Court which applied in the disposals of such appeals.

His Lordship, making an order for legal aid taxation not to be enforced without leave,

Human Rights Report

Statutory rent controls no violation of right to enjoyment of possessions by the legislation in question, they did not contest the manner in which it had been applied by ment be manifestly without the present case, it had to be alternative solutions did not in open to the legislature to take itself render the contested legislation unjustified. I Aim of the interference measures affecting the further islation unjustified. The tenants of the apartments

Case no 13/1983/157/211-213 Before R. Ryssdal, President and Judges J. Cremona, Thor Robert, F. Golcuklu, F. Matscher, L.-E. Pettiti, B. Walsh, Sir Vincent Evans, R. Macdonald, C. Russo, R. Bernhandt, A. Spielmann, J. de Meyer, S. K. Martens, E. Palm and I. Foighel Registrar M.-A. Eissen

gment December 19] The European Court of Human Rights found that the requirements of the second paragraph of article 1 of Protocol No 1 to the European Convention on Human Rights, giving the state the right to enforce laws deemed eary to control the use of property in accordance with the general interest, was satisfied by Austria in relation to rent reductions accorded to certain nants under a 1981 Rent Act. Accordingly, when enacting the 1981 Act, the Austrian authorities - having regard to the need to strike a fair balance lween the general interests of the community and the right of property of landlords in general and of the applicants in particular - could reasonably hold that

achieving the legitimate aim pursued, article I of Protocol No therefore not been Article 1 of Protocol No 1 Every natural or legal person is entitled to the peaceful enjoyment of his possessions. No one shall be deprived of his pos-sessions except in the public conditions provided for by law neral principles of and by the ge

ternational law.

the means chosen were suited to

impair the right of a state to enforce such laws as it deems general interest or to secure the payment of taxes or other contributions or penalties."

and Maria Mellacher, (ii) Johannes, Ernst and Anton Molk and ria Schmid and (iii) Christian Weiss-Tessbach and Maria Brenner-Felsach, owned blocks Graz, Innshruck and Vienna. Three apartments, with surface areas of 40, 68 and 200

square metres, were let under a freely negotiated lesse at thly rents of 1,870, 800 and 3,800 Austrian Schillings The latter two rents were linked to the consumer price

index and were progressively When the leases were signed, the first two apartments came within class D (accommodation with water facilities and lavatories which are located on the landing outside the apartment) and the third in class C (accom

modation with sub-standard In the case of the conclusion es for apartments in 1981 Rent Act, which came into force in 1982, laid down a um rent of 11 Austrian Schillings per square metre for class C and 5.50 Schillings per square metre for class D. At the same time it extended this system to include existing leases. Under section 44(2) and (3), the tenant of an apartment for which the lease was signed between 1968 and 1981 could

caforce such laws as it deems in question availed themselves necessary to control the use of of that provision. They sought property in accordance with the reduction of their rents to 330, 561 and 3,300 Austrian Schillings respectively, together with The applicants (i) Leopold a refund of the overpayments received by the owners after the date of their application for a

The applicants appeals against these judicial decisions

After having attempted unully to secure a friendly ettlement, the European Commission of Human Rights drew up a report on July 11, 1988 ing the facts and stating its opinion.

It concluded that there ha been a violation of article 1 of Protocol No 1 of the Convention in the cases of Mr and Mrs Mellacher and of Mr J. Molk, Mr A. Molk, Mr E. Molk and Mrs E. Schmid (unanimously), but not in that of Mrs Weiss-Felsach (ten votes to one), and (unanimously) that no separate ues arose under article 14 of

In its judgment, the European Court of Human Rights held as

I Alleged violation of article 1 of Protocol No 1 According to the applicants, the reduction of rent granted to various tenants pursuant to section 44(2) of the 1981 Rent article i of Protocol No 1. fered with their freedom of contract and deprived them of a ubstantial proportion of their
The Court was prepared to The Court observed that, in
respect the legislature's judgremedial social legislation and
ment as to what was in the in particular in the field of rent apply for his rent to be reduced substantial proportion of their to a maximum of 150 per cent of future rental income. The preceding provisions the foregoing statutory

those authorities in their cases

A The article 1 rule applicable
It was not disputed that the reductions made pursuant to the 1981 Rent Act constituted an interference with the enjoyment

owners of the rented properties. The Court found that the es taken did not amount either to a formal or to a de facto expropriation. There was no er of the applicant's prop-

erty nor were they deprived of their right to use, let or sell it. The contested measures which, admittedly, deprived them of part of their income from the property amounted, in the cirumstances, merely to a control of the use of property. Accordingly, the second para-graph of article 1 applied in this

B Compliance with conditions in paragraph The second paragraph re-served to states the right to enact such laws as they deemed necessary to control the use of property in accordance with the reneral interest.

Such laws were especially called for and usual in the field of housing, which in modern societies was a central concern of social and economic policies. In order to implement such policies, the legislature had to have a wide margin of apprecia-tion both with regard to the existence of a problem of public They complained that the concern warranting measures of Austrian authorities had interthe detailed rules for the implementation of such measures.

The Court observed that the explanatory memorandum liament at the time of the introduction of the 1981 legislation set out the reasons justifying the new measures.

The easing of rent controls, in 1967, had increased the disparities between rents for equivalent apartments. The re-introduc-tion, in 1974, of legislation regulating the letting of lower quality apartments did not have the desired effects and accen-tuated the tendency towards apartments being kept vacant. That gave rise to an urgent need to effect an overall reform of the law and to develop a ne system for fixing rents. Accord-

intended to reduce excessive and unjustified disparities between rents for equivalent apartments and to combat property Through those means, the 1981 Act also had the aims of making accommodation more easily available at reasonable prices to less affluent member of the population, while at the same time providing incentives

for the improvement of substandard properties. In the Court's view, the explanations given for the leg-islation in question were not such as could be characterized as being manifestly unreason-able. The Court therefore accepted that the 1981 Rent Act had a legitimate aim in the 2 Proportionality of the

execution of previously concluded contracts in order to attain the aim of the policy. The Court rejected the applicants' claim that the operation of the legislation was The Court observed that the

1981 Rent Act divided apartments to which the squaremetre rent provisions applied into four classes on the basis of their standard of accommodation and irrespective of the geographical situation of the building in which they were located - furthermore, certain properties were excluded from the scope of these provisions. Section 44(2) did not impose an automatic reduction on all amount fixed by section 16. but left it to tenants to take the initiative of making the appro-

priate application. Those factors, admittedly, could place some landlords at a greater disadvantage than others. However, legislation in-stituting a system of rent control and aiming, inter alia, at establishing a standard of rents for equivalent apartments at an appropriate level had to be, perforce, general in nature.

It would hardly have been tent with those aims nor would it have been practice to make the reductions of rent dependent on the specific situa-

As to the field of application chosen for the 1981 Rent Act, the various exceptions and exclusions complained of could not, taking the aims of the Act into account, be said to be inappropriate OF disproportionate.

The possible existence of

Provided that the legislature remained within the bounds of

its margin of appreciation, it was not for the Court to say whether the legislation repre-sented the best solution for dealing with the problem perceived by the legislature or whether the legislative dis-cretion should have been exercised in another way.

enacting the 1981 Rent Act, the legislature was concerned to reduce the rents to a level that was socially more acceptable. It also intended to encourage improvements in the quality of the accommodation for the The basic rents laid down in section 16(2) of the 1981 Rent

Act were intended to cover the cost of maintaining apartments at their existing standards. Account had also to be taken of other provisions available to the landlords which supplemented the rule laid down in that article and, in particu the fact that under existing contracts they were entitled to charge a rent 50 per cent higher than that which they would be

allowed to obtain under a new

It was undoubtedly true that the rent reductions were striking in their amount, in particular in the cases of the applicants Mellacher and Molk, but it did not follow that they constituted a disproportionate burden or that the legislature could not reasonably decide that the original rents were unacceptable from the point of view of social instice.

There had therefore been no

said that all the instruc solicitors in the case had to do when they got the DBC form

was to send it back signed stating "with legal aid taxation".

Strasbourg

Court did not consider that it was necessary to examine the

specifies that enjoyment of rights and freedoms set forth in the Convention must be se without discrimination on any Only the Molk family relied

on that provision before the Commission. They claimed that they had suffered discrimination incompatible with article 14 in the enjoyment of the right secured under article 1 of Protocol No 1 in as much as they had been treated differently from other categories of property owners, in particular the pul

However, they did not pursue that complaint before the Court, either in their memorial or at

For those reasons, the Euro-ean Court of Human Rights

1 By twelve votes to five (Judges Cremona, Bindschedler-Robert, Golcukiu, Bernhardt and Spielmann dissenting) that there had been no breach of article 1 of Protocol No 1 either in the case of Leopold and Maria Mellacher, or in that of Johan-nes, Ernst and Anton Molk and Maria Schmid

2 Unanimously, that there had been no breach of article 1 of Protocol No 1 in the case of the successors in title of Maria Brenner-Feisach 3 Unanimously, that it was not necessary to examine the ques-tion of a possible violation of article 14 of the Conventi taken in conjunction with article

Notification of criminal proceedings in foreign language in breach of Convention

Passicek v Italy Case No 7/1988/151/205 Refere R. Ryssdal, President and Judges J. Cremona, Thor Vilhjalmsson, D. Bindschedler-Robert, F. Golcuklu, F. Matscher, J. Pinheiro Farinha, L.-E. Pettiti, B. Walsh, Sir Vincent Evans, R. Macdonald, C. Russo, R. Bernhardt, A. Spielmann, J. de Meyer, J. A. Curillo Salcedo, N. Valticos, S. Mariens, E. Palm and I.

gistrar M.-A. Eissen igment December 197 a person had not been informed, in a language which be understood, of the institution of criminal proceedings against im, and was subsequently convicted in his absence, article 6(3)(a) and (1), of the European Convention on Human Rights

The European Court of Human Rights so held in finding Italy in violation of that provision of the Convention. Article 6 of the Convention

(1) In the determination . . . of any criminal charge against him, everyone is entitled to a fair hearing by annindependent and impartial tribunal "(3) Everyone charged with a ininal offence has the follow-

ing minimum rights: (a) to be informed promptly, in a lan-guage which he understands and tail, of the nature and cause the accusation against On July 1, 1981, Mr G. Brozicek, a German national, was convicted by the Savona

given a suspended sentence of five months imprisonment for having resisted the police and committed an assault bodily harm in 1975. mit causing In 1976, he had received in the Federal Republic of Germany notification from the prosecution of the institution of the proceedings, drafted in Itala, but had returned it to the

Regional Court, Italy, and was

that they write to him in a Human Rights expressed the language he understood. A second notification, sent to him in 1978 together with a request to provide an address for service in Italy, had been returned to the sender, Mr Brozicek claimed that he had not received it as he had

in the absence of any reply from the applicant, the prosecution and then the President of the Savona Regional Court conchided that he did not wish to provide an address for service in Italy. They therefore directed that the documents to be notified to the accused should be lodged at their respective registries. The trial had taken place

ed violation of article 6 of article 6.

in his absence. Mr Brozicek learned of his conviction on May 5, 1984, by a letter from the German authorities informing him that it had been entered in their criminal records (section 52 of the Criminal Records Act). In its report of March 2, 1988, or in one of the official lan-to which they did not reply—the European Commission of gnages of the United Nations.

opinion that there had been Italian judicial authorities accused, stated the place and the violations of article 6(3)(a) should have taken steps to date thereof, referred to the (eleven votes to one, with two abstentions) and of article 6(1) (thirteen votes, with one In its judgment, the European Court of Human Rights held:

essentially at the rules laid down general interest unless that judg-control, which was the subject of

Mr Brozicek alleged the viola-tion of article 6(1) and (3)(a). A Paragraph (3)(a) The Court noted that the judicial notification sent to Mr Brozicek in 1976 constituted an accusation within the meaning The applicant was not of

Italian origin and did not reside in Italy. He informed the relevant Italian judicial authorities in an unequivocal manner that because of his lack of knowledge of Italian he had difficulty in understanding the contents of their communication. He asked them to send it to him either in his mother tongue

On receipt of that request, the the offences of which he was comply with it so as to ensure observance of the requirements of article 6(3)(a), unless they were in a position to establish that the applicant in fact had sufficient knowledge of Italian to understand from the notification the purport of the letter notifying him of the charges

No such evidence appeared from the documents in the file or the statements of the witnesses which the Strasbourg court had beard on April 23 1989. On that point there had therefore been a violation of article 6(3)(a).
On the other hand, the Court considered the allegation that the judicial notification of Feb-

mary 23, 1976 did not identify

in detail the nature and cause of

the accusation to be unfounded.

tended to inform Mr Brozicek of

the institution of proceedings against him, it sufficiently listed

That communication was in-

brought against him.

relevant articles of the criminal code and mentioned the name of the victim. B Paragraph (1) The evidence did not establish that Mr Brozicek intended to waive his right to participate

> article taken as a whole. 1976 did not satisfy one of the requirements of article 6(3)(a) of the Convention.

17, 1978, the Court was not satisfied that Mr Brozicek was aware of it. It was returned to the secretarial of the Savona public prosecutor's office as which remained uncertain Furthermore, the expert consulted at the government's re-

in the trial, a right not expressly mentioned in article 6(1) but whose existence was shown by the object and purpose of the The present judgment had already found that the judicial notification of February 23, thir within the meaning of

As regards that of November

quest concluded that the violation found, the Court could acknowledgment of receipt did not therefore entertain his not bear the applicant's claim. Again, the President of the Savona Regional Court did not seek to notify Mr Brozicek in person of the summons to

appear before his court. In accordance with Italian law, he ordered that it be lodged with the court registry, so that Mr Brozicek was deemed to have been informed of each document relating to the proceedings and was judged in Accordingly, the trial was not

article 6(1). Application of article 90 The applicant requested the Court to declare the judgment of July 1, 1981 void and to order that it be struck out of his record. However, the Court was not so empowered under the

As Mr Brozicek based his

He also claimed 200,000 Swiss france for non-pecuniary

1 of Protocol No 1.

The Court recognized that the violations found must have caused him some degree of damage, but the finding of infringements of article 6 con-stituted sufficient just satisfaction in that respect

As to costs and expenses incurred before the Convention organs, the Court ordered the reimbursement in full of two of the amounts requested (1,027.27 Deutschmarks and 1,900 Swiss francs) and 3,000 Deutschmarks in relation to other expenses incurred. [In a joint dissenting opinion.

Judges Thor Vilhjalmsson, Petnit, Russo, de Meyer and Valticos considered that domestic remedies has not been exreason, the Court should not claim for pecuniary damage on have found a violation of the nces unrelated to the

The colossus who bestrides the century



SPORT AND US

Sebastian Coe and

Daley Thompson are two of the great names of modern sport. In the

first of a three-part series in which they assess the world scene,

Coe looks back with Thompson on the 1980s

s the Nincties begin, find myself in Mclbourne in the company of Daley Thompson. It is accidental, but a pleasure all the same, to spend time with him and his family after we have been through so much

together.
Daley and I have shared competitions, events, botels, training camps, British and English teams, rostrums, successes and disappointments all over the world. We have come through it all as friends. And it has been good, these last few days, to train together again and to talk over memories and opinions from a busy and exciting 10 years.

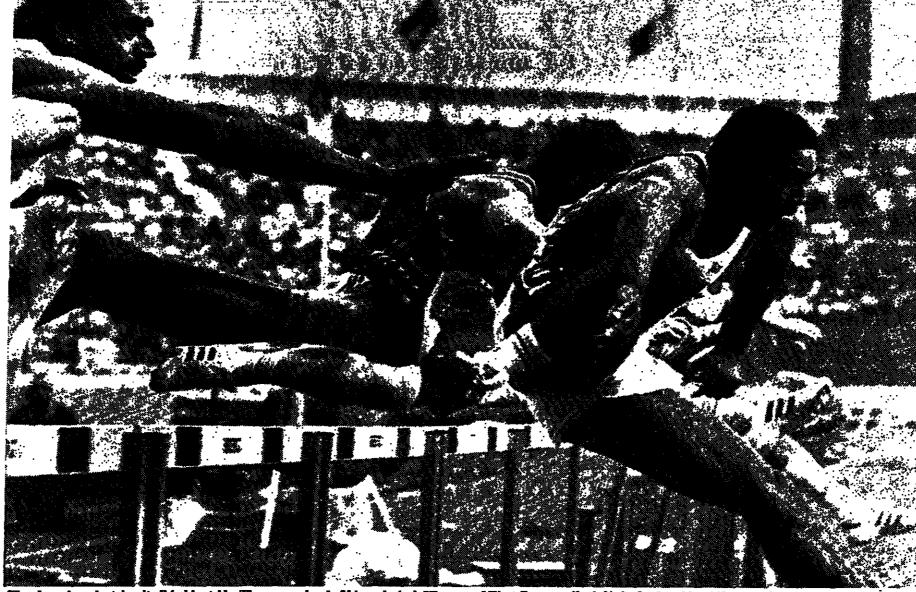
And, in one respect, to compare thoughts on achievements over a longer period, on the best-known faces in sport this century, based on our own relatively short experience.

First, the good news for British sport is that Daley is looking very good again in training. He has got back much of his old zip, pace and agility. It is to be hoped that this means that the recent operation has been a success. He has had to pull out of the Commonwealth Games later this month - that would be too early a competition - but he looks to me a strong bet for the European Championships at Split

I hate to burden him with such predictions (a doubtful practice, which I normally avoid) but Daley is one of the great champions of the 1980s and I feel there are many more great days left in his prodigious locker.

It is the Commonwealth Games that have brought us together here. I am in training to compete in the 800 and the 1,500 metres, my swansong in athletics. Daley booked himself in for the decathlon, but when he had to drop out he decided to make this a winter training base. getting himself ready for next

Between sessions and over meals



The champion who takes it all in his stride: Thompson ahead of his arch rival, Hingson, of West Germany (far left), in the decathlon 110 metres hurdles at Stuttgart in 1986

do. I asked him for his main sporting memories of the decade. He turned this into a question about the great events in world

Some may be surprised that his two choices were not from our game of track and field. He told me that his mind went back first to the Wimbledon singles final of 1980, Borg v McEnroe, the old champion against the young pretender, when the old hand hung in there to win in the fifth set after a magnificent match of contrasting styles and talents. The following year, of course, McEnroe — one of my own favourites - got his revenge and began to make his mark on the

Daley's second choice was the Ryder Cup victory in the United States, when we retained the trophy won two years before at The Belfry Tony Jacklin's team upset all the odds and the American home advantage to record a win which would have been unthinkable in the

previous decade. Talking about golf, we both observed that this sport remains a model of excellent behaviour - it

modern games were originally based. Would that similar standards had applied throughout world and British sport throughout the last 10 years! But it did not, and those problems of behaviour which lie at the root of fair play are the key ones to tackle in the next 10 years.

Regrettably, neither Daley nor I are optimistic that the necessar will and leadership are yet available, in sport and its administration, to achieve the changes so badly required. But that is the stuff of another article. Following Daley's lead, I pon-

dered upon my two best events of the last decade. Like him, I found myself with two obvious "winners", and both from other sports than our own. I am sure these choices reflect what we both like to watch when we are away from the daily business of training and competition. Or, as I put it in Los Angeles during the 1984 Games, when we are away "from the days at the office."

In football and boxing lay my two favourite moments. First, I must choose the 1982 World Cup match between Brazil and Italy. Italy, spearticaded with wonderful skill

against all the predictions. The game had everything, except that foul, malicions element which has disfigured the "beautiful game" of football in recent times.

There was great ability, co-ordination, speed and finishing and the winners went on deservedly to lift the trophy, which they will defend on their own patch next

I look forward to the World Cup in Italy and I plan to attend it because, at the end of a dreadful decade for football, full of pain and torment, it remains for me the top team game in the world. Matches like this one provide thrills and entertainment of a glorious kind. If only the big problems of hooliganism, of behaviour - and the two are linked - could be solved, or at least improved in the next few years.

My second choice takes me back, like Daley, to the first year of the decade. It is boxing, and the first contest between Roberto Duran and Sugar Ray Leonard. Duran won on points after an epic struggle between two boxers of the highest class. I have this abiding memory of Duran having to be restrained by his corner from coming out again the man concerned would get our talked, looking back, as old warriors sportsmanship on which all our and pace by Paulo Rossi, won 3-2 for what would have been a vote quickly and firmly as the his success, almost as a matter of

sixteenth round; and I understood just for once why some of the original matchmakers used to decree that top contests were fought to the finish.

nat day both contestants would have accepted such a challenge, and it would have been safe, heroic, an even more glorious spectacle. But I would not wish to change any of the essential safety rules so necessary in this sport. Neither Daley nor I considered,

in these reflections, either of what we would call "parlour games" - snooker or darts. They have been big television box-office in the last decade. Let us just say that we remain agnostic about their proper place in the sporting spectrum.

Who do we think has been the outstanding sportsman or sportswoman of the last decade? I am sure this debate has been repeated in pubs and clubs, in kitchens and sitting-rooms, up and down the country. Daley and I surprised each other (again) by finding that we were in complete agreement, that the choice was easy, and that in fact Sportsman of the Century. It is Muhammad Ali, whose best deeds were in the previous decade. But his was a truly great athletic talent. He is a genuine sporting hero.

As we talked we wondered if there had been a better-known face in the past 90 years than Ali's. In his peak years (and probably even now) we doubt if there was a street in Europe, Asia, Africa or anywhere that he could walk down without being recognized. So far I have not mentioned our

main sporting passion - athletics, or track and field, as the Americans prefer to call it. Daley and I agreed on the main event of the 1980s. It was Stuttgart in 1986, the European Championships, in which the finest team of this country, or anywhere else, that we have been lucky to be part of hit every height, distance and speed to grab a record total of nine gold medals.

Television viewers back home got at least one champion each night. I got a major 800 metres title at last in a race where Britain was first, second and third, a rare testament to our years of middledistance excellence. Daley won, as he has done throughout the years of

competition, from fine West Germans, in particular.

That was our main event; but we both feel that the Olympics of the decade were those in Los Angeles in 1984. Of course, I cannot comment on Scoul, but Daley keeps assuring me that I did not miss very much. He will not convince me, but I appreciate the thought. What we are both clear about is the high sporting standard of 1984, the effective organization, the fun, the sun, the spirit.

There was a boycott, of course. The Eastern bloc stayed away. As with any boycott, it is plain now (as it was then) that those who suffered from the boycott were the countries concerned. Their competitors suffered, missing a great event for which they had worked long and hard; and their domestic sport suffered, lacking the edge and urge and targets that only an Olympics can provide.

f you doubt me, look how long it took the African track team to recover from its boycotts during the We came at last to our dis-

appointments of the Eighties. For Daley, it is about the well-being of our sport. After 10 years of amazing success, he notes that British athletics still appears to have no sound base. There is no stadium, no national centre, no office, no effective, national coaching structure. Should we not have made more of the days of honey? How are we to build for the future?

In these darker thoughts neither of us wanted to dwell on personal setbacks. My main disappo concerns the continuing rebel tours to South Africa. I wonder why those few of my fellow sportsmen and women involved cannot take the balanced, human view of the offers they get; why they cannot see the real rand behind the posturing about building bridges.

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The sporting boycott of South Africa is one begun many years ago by sport itself, by bodies like the IAAF, the IOC and FIFA. Governments were late into the game; and for the vital reason that the very essence of sport is fair and open competition, regardless of creed and colour. The day that is possible in South Africa will be the day for international sport to think again, but not before.

On this note, I must record that e Daley's really big day of the 1980s was not in sport. It was the birth of his daughter, with whom I had the pleasure of spending part of an unusual Christmas at Melbourne in temperatures of 36°C as he and I looked ahead to different things in the next decade, to lives beyond sport, which must be the last and appropriate reflection.

Sport is the stuff of life; it is often the very essence, but it is not, and should not be, life itself. That is another thought that Daley and I will share as we spend a few more training and talking days together.

TOMORROW

The need for fair play

CYCLING

President's Putter displays scant regard for reputation

The President's Putter comsons. You may go home one year trailing clouds of glory after an heroic victory on the hal-lowed links of Rye, but you are just one of the crowd 12 months later, subject to any quirks the draw may throw up. No nonsense here about pampered treatment for the holder and other distinguished entries.

So it is that Mark Froggatt, the holder, has been immediately summoned to the tee today for what used to be called, dismissively, the preliminary round. With a record entry of 170 among the members of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society, today's play, for the first time, becomes the first

round.
The draw has confronted Froggatt with a formidable adversary in Simon Ellis, like Froggatt, a former Cambridge captain. Ellis is a low-handicap

NETBALL Internationals are duellists in club contest

By Louise Taylor

This Saturday features a full PES English Counties League programme. Surrey, the first division leaders, will be aiming to assert their status at home to Middlesex. The match promises an intriguing duel between Sheila Edwards, the Surrey and England goal attack, and Jesslyn Parkes, the Middlesex and Eng-

Parkes, the Middlesex and England goalkeeper.

Birmingham, the reigning champions, travel to Cheshire, where Collette Thomson, the Birmingham captain and an England selector, will doubtless be hoping that Karen Fenlon, the England goal attack, has a care official.

The local derby between Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire sees Kendra Lowe in action for the hosts for the first time since her appointment as captain of the England squad to tour Australia in June. Essex Metropolitan, should have an easy passage at home to Hampshire North, the bottom

club, but having lost by only a single point at Birmingham on the opening day of the season, the visitors could prove dark

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possibility of instant Guy Wuollett, an American. is another who might have been accorded certain privileges in any other tournament. He achieved a rare victory for Oxford two years ago in the final against Ted Dexter, but he, too, fiving the Atlantic for the pu pose of the event, has to play an extra round

Wuollett today faces Gordon MacSween, another former Cambridge captain. Dexter's name came out of the hat first and he tees off at 8.15am tomorrow against Andrew Mangeot, of Oxford. Fiona Macdonald ploughs her furrow as the only woman ever

to play in the competition and her opponent, on the event's 70th anniversary, is Peter Os-born, a Cambridge Blue of a more mature vintage. Osborn, however, is still said to be a fine player and this should be a fascinating encounter just after noon today.

A Rye spy reports superb conditions for the tournament, which ends on Sunday. The weather was ideal yesterday, with not a breath of wind, and the course was justifying its high reputation for mid-winter conditions. Even so, many tra-ditionalists will no doubt recall the punishing frosts of

yesteryear.

A new ninth tee will be used for the first time, increasing its distance to 303 yards and creating a more spectacular tee shot. The length of the course is now 6,310 yards, par 68, but the standard scratch score of 71 more truly reflects the difficulties.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOOTBALL B and Q Scottish League Premier division Dundes Utd v Dunfermline (7.30) First division

Worton v Clydebank (7.30) HPS LOANS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bishop Auctismd v Getsetneed. PONTRIS LEAGUE: First division: Leads v Nothin Forest (7:0). Second division: Leads v Nothin Forest (7:0). Second division: Stackpool v Port Vale; Rotherhem v Mansfeld; Shole v Botton; West Bron v Barrisley; York v Wolverhempton. Overhem PAMPER COMMINATION.

VAUXHALL LEAGUE: Second division south: Faithern v Ruisip Menor. RUGBY UNION

Pontypool v Lydney (3.0) .. RUGBY LEAGUE

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LEADING FRIEST DIVISION STANDINGS:

1, Surrey, played 3, points 15; 2, Birmingham, 3, 15; 3, Mickleson, 3, 11.

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OVERDEN PAPERS COMBINATIONS Brighton v Millwell (7.15); Oxford v Arsenal.

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ICE HOCKEY: Screensport 12.30-2-30pm:
National Hockey League.
ICE SKATING: Screensport 9.15-10pm:
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TENNER: Eurosport 9-10; Seet of the Year: Land v VacCinne at the European Community championships. Antwerp.
TRANS WORLD SPORT: Eurosport 6-7pm: Sport from sround the world.
UPDATE: Screensport 7.30pm.
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SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

Barriers must be removed

By Jane Wyatt

Many leading disabled sports people will enter the new decade hoping for swifter improvements than have been effected over the last 10 years. Undoubtedly some things have improved. A more professional approach in many sports has led to higher standards and greater achievements on the international scene, but on the international scene, but the twin goals of integration and self-government are, in most cases, mere specks on the

Athletes still feel regarded as second-class citizens who are merely "playing" at being champions. With some notable exceptions. Such as in careeing and snooker, they are at best ignored by the able-bodied sporting establishment.

A readiness to consider how disabled people could be encounted to take up different sports initially, to see how they sports initially, it see how they could compete, if not alongside, then at the same time in the same venues, would be a start.

Sport for people with disabilities is often organized by the able-bodied. Athletes can feel patronized. Moreover, sports people retiring from compelition often would like to work in their otten would fixe to work in their particular sporting field. Changes are taking place, as demonstrated by the athletes demanding and getting, representation on the British Paralympic Association through the formation of an athletes

It is hoped that during the Nineties there will be less ghetto sport with disabilities groups clinging to their established traditious and shunning multi-

To be a top-class athlete is tough. People with disabilities do not need or ask for concessions and only the best should be chasen to represent their country. their country.

The media will have a signifi-cant role to play in the de-velopment of sport for people with disabilities over the next decade. In the past, coverage has been patchy and condescending. One can only hope that the proliferation of broadcasting attlets will ment that mediane. outlets will mean that producers looking for new ideas will dis-cover that wheelchair backetball is visually spectacular, or that watching a blind person shoot a rifle is a fascinating exercise, or that house is just as intensities? that bowls is just as interesting if

OVERSEAS CRICKET

South African board allows Wessels best of both worlds

Controversy has broken out in South Africa over the decision of the South African Cricket Union (SACU) to declare Keponion (SACO) to declare kep-ler Wessels eligible for the national team to play against Mike Gatting's England XI in a series of matches starting later this month. Wessels, who was born in

South Africa, responded to his country's sporting isolation by taking up residence in Queens-land and playing 24 Tests for Australia between 1982-83 and 1985-86. He also appeared for Kim Hughes's Australian XI in South Africa three years ago, even though he had returned to his native country by then and was playing for Eastern Province.

Some senior South African players are reported to be un-happy at the SACU's willingness to welcome back Wessels because they feel he is getting the best of both worlds. All Bacher, the SACU's managing director, defended the decision, saying that Wessels had agreed only reluctantly to play for Hughes's side, which was short of quality batting.

Bacher added: "Nobody can when the Currie Cup pro-old it against any of our players gramme resumed last week after hold it against any of our players who go overseas and enter Test cricket through the back door. People like Kepler, Allan Lamb, and Chris and Robin Smith, have done this and have excelled. We are extremely proud of them. It is not their fault that this situation arose. Deep down

they're still our boys."
The SACU further demonstrated its flexible attitude towards the qualification issue by ruling that Rodney Ontong. who was born in South Africa and who has never represented another country, must wait 12 months before he will be considered for the national team. Ontong's error may have been that he once beld ambitions to play for England rather than his

Two former Test players will manage the South African side against Gatting's team, Neil Adoock for the five-day matches

day games. Wessels, aged 32, showed that

and David Pithey for the one-

be is certainly worth a place in the national side, by hitting 182 against Northern Transvaal

a two-month break. He followed his highest score in South Africa with 74 not out against Orange Free State in the match finishing Others to show good form

with the bat were Clive Rice, the Transvaal captain, who passed 25,000 first-class runs during his 99 against Natal, and Peter Kirsten, who scored 185 out of 328 for eight declared, for Western Province against Orange Free State. It was Kirsten's first century for three years. In the same match, Allan Donald, the Warwickshire fast bowler, took

three wickets in four balls for Orange Free State, Queensland are in a strong

position to reach the Sheffield Shield final, having opened up an eight-point lead at the top of the table. At the weekend, they beat New South Wales in Brisbane by five wickets after being set 304 to win. A month ago they failed to reach the more modest target of 164 against the same

Big prize

may lure LeMond By Peter Bryan

The Tour de Trump, the richest race in the United States, named after its main sponsor, Donald Trump, has a record \$250,000 (about £155,000) in prizemoney this year, the organizers said yesterday.
Start and finish points and intermediate stage towns will

not be announced until January 15 in New York. professional seven-man teams will compete in the 11-day, 1,000-mile race, with a British rofessional squad again likely

to be invited. Last year, when the race was first held, Paul Curren, finishing sixteenth, was best of the British Percy Bilton team, but the squad was disbanded in October and Curran is among those still seeking a contract for this year. There is speculation in the United States that Greg LeMond, the world champion and winner of the Tour de France last year, will ride in the Trump, starting on May 3.

The tour will go through six north-eastern states.

Results from yesterday's meetings

Cheltenham Rolog: good to firm

Going: good to firm

12.46 (2m hdie) 1. ACRE Hit.L (S
Smith Eccles, 5-1); 2. Run Agein (M
Richerds, 50-1); 3. Gusen's Chaptain (R
Burnwoody, 11-2). ALSO RAN: 5-2
tav Montalino (su), 4 Zeppelin, 10 Los
Buccanaros (om), 12 Western Divide
(4th), 14 Maroust (5th), 16 Heart Of
Kings, Mount Erebus, 53 Rehab Venburs, 50 The Lidgate Star, Tinking Star,
86 Fources, 14 ran, 20, 2, 4, 3, 5, N
Henderson at Lambourn, Tota: 25.30;
22.00, 27.00, 21.50. DF: 21361.00.
CSF: \$182.54.

1.20 (3m 1f ch) 1. SPEAKERS
CORNER (C Llewellyn, 5-2); 2, 8k Of A
Clown (L Harvey, Evens fav); 3,
Karakier Reference (S McNeill, 11-4).
3 ran, 7, 10L M Wilkinson at Edgoots.
Tote: £3,70. DF; £2.10. CSF; £4.80. 1.56 (23,70, Dr. 122.10, CSP: 24.30, 1.56 (2m 4f ch) 1. PADDYBORO (R Rowe, 4-1); 2, Private Visuas (B Powell, 3-1 j.-fav); 3, Duelle (L Hervey, 3-1 j.-fav); 3, Duelle (L Hervey, 3-1 j.-fav); 4, SO RAN: 100-30 Gale is image (pu), 7 Warner For Leisure (ur), 26 Kamatak (4th), 8 ran. 114, 158, B. J. Gifford at Findon, Tota: 24.50; 22.30, 21.90, Dr. 28.80, CSP: 21.483. 21.90. DF: 28.80. CSF: 214.83.
2.30 (2m 41 hole) 1, BEECH ROAD (R. Cuest, 1-3 fav); 2, Chestum (P. Scudemore, 11-4), 2 ran. 1%i, G. Baiding at Fylield, Tote: 21.30.
2.5 (2m ch) 1, KATABATIC (H. Davies, 10-11 fav); 2, Royal Cracker (J. Raitton, 5-2); 3, Springhotm (R. Durnwoody, 5-2), ALSO RAN: 5 Harley Struct Man (4th), 4 ran. 21, 151, 2%i, A. Turnel East Hendrod, Tote: 22.00, DF: 23.30. CSF: 25.10.

3.40 (3m hdie) 1. CALABRESE (R Dunwoody, 4-5 tev); 2. Mexica (N Coleman, 50-1); 3. Smartle Express (Mr C Maude, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Pragada (5th), 7 Sea Flower (I), 9

Rogers Princess (4th), 14 Chucklestone (f), 7 ran. 15l, nk, 30l, 12l. N Henderson at Lemboum, 10ts: £1,90; £1,40, £10.20. DF: £52,70. CSF: £27.89.

Going: good to soft The cross fence after the stands was comitted.
12:30 (2m holie) 1, MESICLIRIUS (8 Storey, 11-2; 2, Suffet Train (N Smith, 2-1; 3, Headher Moth (K Jones, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 10-11 fav Paim Led (f).
131, 101, 101. D Robertson et Klimannock. Tote: 25:20. DF; 84:90. CSF; £14:3.

2,14.43.

1.0 (2m hole) 1. FISHERMAN'S CROFT (G McCourt, 2-1); 2, Diego Rivera (Ger Lyons, 6-4 tav); 3, Furry Path (G Bradley, 7-2), ALSO RAN: 12 Gustry (4th), 20 Krisfield (5th), 25 Capital Builder, 33 June's Brave Boy, 50 Samis Sound (6th), Suvameral (ur), J-Tec Boy, 10 ran, 2%; 10, 3, 4, 7. N Timider at Matton, Tota: 22.80; et 50, et 40, et an DE: 500 cm. 71. N Tinider at Melton. Tote: £2.60; £1.50, £1.40, £1.20. DF: £3.70. CSF: £5.35.

25.35.

1.35 (2m 4f ch) 1, EDWARDS VISION (G Bradley, 5-1); 2, The Demon Barbar (G McCourt, 5-4); 3, Hazaf Bask (L O'Hara, 33-1). ALSO FIAN: 10-11 fav Rendolph Place (ur.), 16 Richards Bay (pul. 5 reft. 1%), 301. T Tate at Tadicaster. Tote: £6.30; £2.20, £1.70. DF: £7.80. GSF: £15.11. DF: £7.80. CSF: £15.17.

2.19 (2m) hdis) 1, #RUXY &ACK (G
McCourt, 13-8 fav; 2, Vicario Di Bray
(D Murphy, 2-1); 3, PR Peny (L Wyer,
100-1), ALSO RAN: 2 Tanzard Sand
(4th), 11 Royal Busion (pu), 5 ran. 12i,
2, 4i, G Richards at Graystotes. Tote:
£3.20; £1.50, £1.50. DF: £3.40. CSF:
£5.25. 2.48 (3m 110yd ch) 1, TRAPRAIN LAW (T Reed, 14-1); 2, Radical Lady (P Niver, 9-1); 3, Interior Lib (Nr J Bradburn, 40-1); ALSO RAN; 11-8 inv Terior Tempest (4th), 7-2 Fiver House (pu), 9-2 Helio Georgie (5th), 15-2 Deep Calf (pu), 50 Cansy River (6th), 100 Cherry Side (pu), 9 rss. 274, 101, 134, hd, 12, K Öliver 2t Hewide, Tote: 221.00; £4.00, £1.90, £2.80. OF: £148.40. CSF: £118.51.

2145.40. CSF: 2116.61.
3.10 (2m 8t hote) 1, SPRINGYALE
GRURADE (P. Niver., 12-1); 2, Rose
Tablesu (G McCouxt, 8-1); 3, Bellydely
Express (G Bracky, 13-6 k-tav). ALSO
RAN: 13-8 k-tav Schleinglicen (5th), 10
Back Before Dark, 16 The Finit Sisters (6th), 3 Lucky Jordon, 100 Homerical
Lad (4th), Lotrian Captain (pul, Oorain
Lass (pul, 10 ran. NI: Cettic Somers,
194, 15; 5, nk. 294. R Fisher at
Olversion, Totac 214.00; 23.00, 22.00,
£1.10. DF: £32.10. CSF: £92.52.

Southwell

Going: standard
12.25 (1m 3t) 1. Settlem in IP Water, g17: 2. Nipotins (12-1): 3. Messkad Bed (2-1
tay) 13 ran, NiP: Princess Wu. Sh Ind. Ind. J
Winston. Tote: 210.30: 22.50, 22.50,
21.50. DF (Winter or second with any
other horse): 23.50. CSF: 2706, 72.
12.55 (1m) 1. Gothle Ford (8 Raymond,
7-4 tay): 2. Another Earl (8-1): 3. Intel
Passage (8-1): 13 ran, Ni. Ind. C. Tinider,
Tote: 23.50; 21.30, 23.60, 22.20. DF:
278.50. CSF: 218.67. Tricest: 274.95.
1.25 (00) 1. Pestes Butterfly (6 Carter,
11-6 tay): 2. Joint Rats (7-2): 3. Swing,
North (2-1): 4 ran, 3i, Ni. W Carter, Tote:
22.20. DF: 23.00. CSF: 25.79,
1.55 (57) 1. Waltzing Wessel (3 Bardwell, 18-1): 2. Miss Knight (8-1): 3. First
Harvest (5-2), Able Rocket 2-1 inv. 10 ran.
14. 234. J Waterion. Tota: 227.20: 24.00,
22.10, 21.50. DF: 2175.30. CSF: 2139.25.

2.25 (im 6f) 1. Timeolo (G Certer, 11-8 fav): 2. Kenliworth Castle (4-1): 3. Western Outcor (9-4): 8 ran. M7: Lunch Box. 2½4, 12. C Thider. Tota: 22-90; 21-10, 21-20. 22-60. DF: 25-40. CSF: 27-54. Tribast: 1-10 fav. 12-10 fav. 12-1 £10.85. 2.55 (1m 37) 1, Crystal Park (P Watch, 6-1); 2, Individuals (8-1); 3, Comirco Girt (7-2 lav), 13 ran. 44, 31. J Wharton, Total 521,00 21.50, 22.50, £1.90. DF: £39.30. CSP. 59/4 13 rgs. 250, £1.90. Dr: 200 £1.50, £2.50, £1.90. Dr: 200 £3.15, 3.25 (1m 40) 1, Shake (5 Partie, 7-2); 2, Patavious (3-1); 3, Traitis (3-4 fav); 11 ran, 2, hd. R Holitanhead, Toke £3.20; £1.10, £1.10, £3.10. DF: £2.50, CSF: £16.37, Tricost £36.01, Placepot: £32.50



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Carrick Hill Lad to extend unbeaten run

Handicap Chase at Ayr today. The winner of his final three ctaris over hurdles last season, Carrick Hill Lad has taken exceptionally well to steenlechasing this term and has looked potentially top class in landing novice chases at Ayr, Haydock and

His latest success over the useful Cliffalds in the John Hantas Memorial Novices' Chase at Wetherby on Boxing Day marked him down as a natural for the Sun Alliance Chase at the National Hunt Festival in March.

soned campaigners here.

This represents his first race

12.30 Carbonate.

1.00 Aston Express

1.30 Possetive Plant.

A consistent and progressive type last season, Samfen ran a sound race when second to Bluff Knoll on his reappearance here before Christmas. However, it will be disappointing if Carrick Hill Lad does not continue his triumphant march

However Samfen fares, Peter Easterby, his trainer, should enjoy a profitable afternoon with Carbonate (12.30) and Burgoyne (2.30) both holding outstanding chances,

Carbonate started a shortpriced favourite for a 20runner handicap hurdle at Haydock before Christmas and finished a respectable second to Moody Man. With that winner following up in a good race at Newton Abbot on Boxing Day, Carbonate is hard to oppose in the Drongan Conditional Jockeys Handi-

useful Sayyure on his hurdling debut at Kempton a week ago

vision of the Dalrymple Novices' Hurdle.

For the day's best bet, though. I turn to the locallytrained Kirsty's Boy in the Stair Handicap Hurdle. Since winning over three

miles on his reappearance at Perth in September, John Wilson's seven-year-old has been a model of consistency. His latest two efforts, when placed behind the prolific

winners Auction Law and Midland Glenn in Coral Golden Hurdle Qualifiers at Haydock and Ayr, give him a clear chance in this slightly lower grade. At Sedgefield, my principal fancy is the Jonjo O'Neill-

trained I Kid You Not in the Witton Handicap Hurdle. The winner of bumper races at Ballinrobe and Tramore in 1988 when trained by Francis Flood, I Kid You Knot won

A fair seventh on his reappearance at the same track in November, I Kid You Knot should now be approaching

season at Carlisle.

Hammond takes early retirement from race-riding

north's leading jockeys, sur-prised the racing world yes-terday by announcing his retirement from the saddle at the

"The buzz has gone and there are other things I want to do with my life," Hammond said yesterday. "I know in my own mind it's the right time to pack up. I am no longer experiencing the same kick from riding winners,"

Hammond will stay with George Moore, for whom he works as assistent trainer, until at least the end of 1990 but hopes eventually to train in his



Michael Hammond: hopes to get licence to train

2.0 KILMARNOCK HANDICAP CHASE (£3,525: 3m 110yd) (6 runners)

2.30 DALRYMPLE NOVICES HURDLE (Div II: £2,040; 2m) (8 runners)

LEIGH BOY 12 (7,G) (J Robson) G Moore 4-11-0.... BAITEN TIME 660F (W McIntoeth) R Goldie 4-10-8....

1989: NO CORRE

BETTING: 3-1 Watertight, 5-1 Andros Prince, 6-1 Vale Of Secrecy, Wessex, 8-1 Share A Friend, Kirsty's Boy, 10-1 Gunner Mec, 12-1 Eastern Ossis.

1982: DUBIOUS JAKE 6-10-12 G McCourt (13-8) G Moore 6 ran

Guide to our in-line racecard

2436-03 GIRRIER MAC 14 (CD,Q.5) (F McNais) N Byroft 7-11-2 122/02- SHARE A FRIEND 373 (S) (Mrs A Fisher) G Richards 9-11-0 ... 4P-41P1 WATERTIGHT 12 (G) (J Good) G Moore 5-10-10 ... 90011-2 AMDROS PRINCE 22 (S) (M Eastarby) M W Eastarby 5-10-7 ... 2105/ VALE OF SECRECY 989 (F,S) (Mrs D Miler) R Fisher 9-10-3 ...

113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF,F,G,S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Helf 12-0.

2.15 HAMSTERLEY NOVICES CHASE (£2,210: 2m) (14 runners)

00 MAUDLINS CROSS 43 (G Fietcher) J Johnson 5-10-7 DDP- MR THERM 324 (Lord Belper) M W Easterby 5-10-7 83-P004 SPRITED HOLME 11 (8,5) (M Berrow) D Williams 5-10-7

2.45 HASWELL NOVICES HURDLE (£1,360: 2m 4f) (14 runners)

50-85 ALAICBRUN 19 (Mrs M Kenyon) R Earnshaw 5-11-9 APPLE LANE 221F (F) (Mrs B Curley) B Curley 10-11-9 40-32 BRELLIANT WISH 40 (N Jame) R Fisher 7-11-9 (2-0 CAPTAIN CAYEMAN 20 (North West Reding Cub.) R Earnshaw 5-11-9 2-2 (HOPPING ARCUND 11 (Rapegoers Club) C Thermion 8-11-9

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214 JANE'S JAUNT 42 (SF) (W Barker) Mrs G Revelley 7-11-4.
215 JANE'S LAUNT 42 (SF) (W Barker) Mrs G Revelley 7-11-4.
215 JANE'S LORDY (P Acceley) Mrs V Acceley-4-10-10.

3.15 WITTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,826: 2m 4f) (12 runners)

1 \$143P5- TAYLORBIADE BOY 251 (0,8) (B Robson) Denya Smith 7-12-0

11-6 IKID YOU NOT 51 (0,5) (Jonjo Racing Pic) J J O'Neil 7-11-11.

41AP3F KATES FLING 36 (F.O) (Mrs K Bateson) R Fisher 7-11-2

91AB78F KATES FLING 36 (F.O) (Mrs K Bateson) R Fisher 7-11-2

1-851 MOWTHORVE 8 (C.F.G) (M W Essterby) M W Essterby 5-10-13 (Sex)

08P-48 CONCERT PAPER 43 (J Pointon) Miss S Witton 8-10-12

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EPPO-P3 SPARK OF PEACE 8 (CD.Q) (6 Carle) P Blockley 8-10-7
0 TOPSOR, 42 (5) (Mrs A Stacey) D Winds 8-10-1
394-643 MAW BROOM 8 (5) (Mrs A Stacey) D Winds 8-10-1
394-643 MAW BROOM 8 (5) (Mrs A Curley) B Curley 7-10-0
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TRAINERS

BETTING: 5-2 Hopping Around, 11-4 Britishs Wish, 3-1 Ablictrum, 9-2 Lest "O" The Bunch, 6-1 others. 1981: BEAU ROSE 6-11-2 B McGRIT (8-1) Mrs M Dickinson 12 ran

BETTING: 3-1 Sewdost Jack, 7-2 Gela Loch, 5-1 Cisres Own, 6-1 Spirited Holms, 8-1 others. 1988: CRUSADER'S STAR 8-11-3 G Bradley (5-1) Mrs M Dickinson 8 ran

2 BURGOYNE 7 (P Savit) M H Easterby 4-10-8....

3.0 STAIR HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,935: 2m 8f) (8 runners)

85-5P SCOTS GAP 39 (M Julien) A Stringer 5-11-6 ...

20R3-0 SHIGHA ANNE 47 (A Paton) R Golde 5-11-1

1 DALE PARK 48 (CD,G) (P Sevis) N Tinder 4-11-0

05 NEARCTIC BAY 7 (Mrs P Berker) Mrs P Berker 4-10-8

6 RISK FACTOR 46 (M Julian) D Moltati 4-10-8...... PO STAR MOON 13 (B) (S Malieti) N Bycroft 4-10-8.....

FORM FOCUS BEAU MASH scored over 1m 4t on the Flat in Merch and was eased when beeten behind Stollern on reappearance over course and distance (good) last month with POSSETIVE PLANT who stayed on well to finish a 3½1 4th and TEACAKE

FORM FOCUS MONANORE stayed on well when 2014 6th to Little Polveir on final start last accson in Grand National at Liverpool (4m 4f, heavy).

SOLARES is 7th higher in the weights then when defeating St. Jeet 6t in a listed handleap at Westherby (8m 100yd, good to sort) in Merch. Was tailed off when pulied up before 8 out on reappearance behind Remedy The Matady at Haydock (4m, heavy) last month.

CARRICK HILL LAD ran on well to best Cliffelds 21, pair clear, on latest start in novices listed race at Wetherby (3m 100yd, good to soft). Previously had

FORM FOCUS MELEAGRIS has shown promise in National Hunt flat races. On seasonal reappearance, over course and distance (good), 9%13rd of 18 to Schlehellon.

SCOTS GAP was tailed off when pulled up after 3 out behind Midland Glenn at Newcastle (2m 4f, good to firm) in November. LEIGH SOY recouped some of the 22,000gms paid out for him at the Newmerket

FORM FOCUS WESSEX stayed on from 2 out when 2%1 2nd to Yorkshire HoBy in a handleap at Haydock (2m 4f., good to soft). Previously beat Sketcher 11 in Worsester handleap (2m, good to firm). RURSTY'S 80Y 2%1 3rd to Midland Glecon in a handleap ower course and distance (cood to soft).

handiary over course and distance (good to soft).
Previously 81 4th to Auction Law, with GUNNER MIAC (7to bester off) poor 14th, at Haydock (2m 6f, good). EASTERN OASTS lost place 4 out on reappearance at Parth (2m 4f, good to firm), trailing

Receard number. Six-figure form (F - fell. P - pulled up. U - unsested rider. B - brought down. S - slipped up. R - refused. D - disqualified). Horse's name. Days since last outling: F if flat. (B - blinkers. V - visor. H - hood. E - Epecifield. C - course winner. D - distance winner. CD - course and

1.30 DALRYMPLE NOVICES HURDLE (Div I: £2.057: 2m) (10 runners)

BETTRIC: 11-10 Dale Park, 2-1 Possetive Plant, 5-1 Teacake, 12-1 Rhyming Kets, 14-1 Nearctic Bey,

1989: SWEET CITY 4-11-2 N Doughty (S-1) G Richards 9 ran

081908- MONANORE 270 (D.S) (Full Circle Thoroughbreds F Pic) N Tinkler 13-12-0 ..., G McCount

7 OSTODS- MONANORE 270 (D.B) (Full Circle Thoroughbreds F Pic) N Tinkier 13-12-0. G MicCourt 2 S111P-P SOLARES 20 (C.D.G.S) (S Berry) J Berry 10-11-8. L O'Hane (S 111-11) CARRICK Hall LAD 8 (CD.S) (A Picker) G Richerds 7-11-0 (Ber.) N Dought) 0221-2 SAMFEN 18 (B.D.F.G.S) (F Bellerd) M H Easterby 8-10-11 L Wyes 4441-22 KALLONE ABBEY 51 (BF.S) (F Piller) W A Stephenson 7-10-8. C Grand 2 S2221-3 SROWNHALL LASS 45 (CD.S) (A Paton) R Goldie 9-10-0 G Harbon BETTRIC: 4-7 Carrick Hill Lad, 7-2 Samfen, 6-1 Killone Abbey, 8-1 Brownhill Lass, 18-1 others.

1980: BISHOPS YARM 10-11-7 R Guest (3-1) G Baiding 5 ran

BETTING: 10-11 Burgoyne, 5-2 Leigh Boy, 6-1 Order Paper, 10-1 Meleagris, 14-1 Scots Gep. Scarning

one of the half of the season, Hammond ckeys, surworld yes-uncing his Hammond showed great cour-

age to twice come back from serious injuries in 1988. Having missed the start of last season with a braken leg, Hammond then fractured his other leg in a schooling accident in Decemi

of that year.

After serving his apprenticeship with Tom Jones and Hugh
O'Neill, his carrer was slow to ssom until he moved north to join Moore at Middleham 41/2 years ago.

The partnership proved highly successful and landed the Timeform Hurdle with Tingle Bell in 1986 and the Glenlivet and Victor Ludorum Hurdle with Royal Illusion in 1988. The same season, Hammond gained his biggest success when partnering the Hardy Lad to victory for Jumbo Wilkinson in the Scottish Grand National. Hammand's best season was

1986-87 when he rode 63 win-

ners and his career total exceeds

290. Moose's runners will be partnered by the best rider available until the trainer ap-points another stable jockey.

"I'm obviously disappointed as I think he is a brilliant jockey and always has been. But if you are going to stop, you should stop at the top."

in a Heathern (2m, good to firm) National Hunt Se race, DALE PARK had RISK FACTOR 19 back in 8th

when a heavily-backed course and distance (good) winner on hurding debut and looks the one to best.

confortably beatern Waltingo 81 at Haydock (3rt, good to soft). A very promising novice tacking sandicappers for the first time. SAMFEN kept on well to finish 12 2nd to Bluff Knoll on reappearance have (3rt 3f 40yd, good to soft) last month.
KELONE ABBEY has found one too good in handicaps at Weitherby and Cartiste (3rt 2f, good) this season. At Cartiste, beaten 51 by Conclusive.
SROWNHELLASS was never able to land a blow on reappearance in handicap over curren and distance.

reappearance in handicap over course and distance (good) in November, finishing 14I 3rd to Tarten Takeover.

Autumn Sales when beeting lcarus 1½ on his hurdling debut at Hexham (2m, good). BURGOYNE was a fair middle-distance performer on the Fat. Made a highly encouraging hurdling debut at Kempton (2m 4l, good), running on well to be 3! 2nd to Sayura. ORDER PAPER showed some modest to sayura. ORDER PAPER showed some modest form in handless events on the Fat lest

in 23%1 4th of 5 to Flodden Field. SHARE A FRIEND 23) 4th to Bluff Knoll on her only start over hurdles at Newcastle (3m, good to soft) lest season.

WATERTRIGHT led after the lest to best Mirage Dancer 11 on latest start in novices' handicap at Hexham (2m 41, good). ANDROS PRINCE made an encouraging reappearance in a Sedgefield handicap (3m 21 160yd, good to firm), finishing 21 2nd to Some Machine, the pair clear.

distance winner. BF - beaten favourity in latest race). Going on which horse has won (F - firm, good to firm, hard. G - good. S - soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets. Trainer. Age and weight. Ridar plus any allowance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

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.. C Ryes (7)

... B Curley .. G Bradley

Ger Lyons (3) ---... D Wilkinson @ 99

... J Calleghan (7) Mr D McCain (7)

...... A Merigan Mre J Thurlow

. TP White (7)

.. P Kilyen

... P Mickey e 99 ... A Cerroll ---

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..... R Supple (3) G Brackey . Mrs R Robson

..... G Ryan (7) S Device (7) Mr P McMahon

T P White (7) _ D Murphy

86

98

.... J O'Gornson (3)

MEARCTIC BAY kept on steedily without trothe leaders when 21 8th to Russino at Wet (2m, good).

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___ N Dougley ___
__ L Wyer __
__ G Harter ___
__ G Monaton 87

..... C Hewitins 87 ... C Dennis (3) 82



slipped up at the final flight in the Lansdown Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham yesterday

Guest excels as Beech Road demonstrates his versatility

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Jumping like an agile cat, Beech hurdles on the take-off side. Road beat Chatam by 11/2 lengths at Cheltenham yesterday and is now a top-quoted 11-4 to retain his Champion Hurdle crown next March.

Peter Scudamore, on Chatam, attempted to play cat and mouse with his solitary opponent in the Spa Hurdle. But Richard Guest, with only one success to his credit this season as opposed to the champion jockey's 111, was coolly equal to the task as he made every yard of the running. "You've got to leave him alone," he explained afterwards. "If I'd messed him about, he might have gone back to his bad

old ways. So I had to make all and he was brilliant." An indication of how slowlyrun the race was can be gleaned from the fact that Beech Road took 25 seconds longer to cover 2½ miles over hurdles than Paddyboro had taken for the same distance over fences half

an hour earlier.

Toby Balding, delighted at the style of Beech Road's success in conceding 12lb to the Martin Pipe trained runner-up, com-mented: "We certainly didn't plan it that way. But it will hve given Richard confidence to know that he doesn't have to

hold him up for so long. How ironical that it was a fall when challenging Waterloo Boy at the last fence in a novices' yesterday which convinced taken to Manton on Friday to be Balding to abandon plans for a worked on Barry Hills's gallops. chasing career for the formerly wayward Beech Road. But now the is as quickly into his stride on when landing a double with chasing career for the formerly

at the Bishops Cleeve Hill Hurdle here on January 22 followed by an attempt to win the National Spirit Trophy at Fontwell on February 19 for the second successive year.

Ladbrokes make Beech Road

a 5-2 chance for the champ-ionship. Kribensis, well-backed in the past two days, has shortened from 6-1 to 5-1. Jinxy Jack, yesterday's wide-margin Ayr winner, is on offer at 20-1. Of Balding's other stars, Mor-ley Street will attempt to redeem his reputation in Sandown's Oteley Hurdie on February 3. Little Polveir, the Grand National winner, is to take on Baies and Royal Cedar at Esher this Saturday when Forest Sun, last Friday's impressive Newbury

winner, may go for the Tolworth Hurdle, for which Black Humour is another possible runner. "Black Humour has slightly sore shins so we'll have to see how he is on Thursday," said Charlie Brooks, confirming that Celtic Shot will take the next exciting step in his chasing career in the Fairlawne Novices' Chase the same afternoon. Nicky Henderson is deter-

mined to disprove the old saying that champions don't come back. And See You Then, the triple champion hurdler, who

Steve Smith Eccles brought His plans prior to the Nat- Acre Hill home seven lengths ional Hunt Festival include a tilt clear of Run Again in the Lansdowne Novices' Hurdle and Richard Dunwoody had an armchair ride on Calabrese, who stormed home by 15 lengths in the Robinson Handicap Hurdle after being backed down to 5-4

> Acre Hill is a grandson of Johnny Henderson's remarkable mare Acclio, whose seven live foals were all winners. including Acquire, Acquit, and Acquaint

The most extraordinary performance of the afternoon was put up by Private Views in the Cleeve Hill Handicap Chase. The top weight was in a clear lead when temporarily refusing to race after rounding the bend passing the stands. Soon tailed off by 15 lengths, Nick Gaselee's talented but wayward nine-year-old then rallied to such purpose that he was only 11/2 lengths adrift of Paddyboro at the line.

"First I thought he'd refuse and then he got so far behind that I nearly pulled him up at the water," said Brendan Pow-ell. "But then he got going and would have won in another 50 vards." Paddyboro, successful in the

Mildmay of Flete Challenge Cup at the National Hunt Festival last March, provided Josh Gifford with his 37th

"He won't be given much of a chance in handicaps now," said the Findon trainer. "We'll run him in three-mile conditions races and then decide about a target at the March meeting."

landing as he is hungry for his Acre Hill and Calabrese. Jinxy Jack in line for Champion tilt

when gaining a smooth 12length victory over Vicario Di

length victory over Vicario Di Bray at Ayr yesterday.

Richards will now give his improving six-year-old one more outing before the Cham-pion Hurdle. Partnered by Graham

McCourt in the Ayr New Year Hurdle, Jinxy Jack was always travelling well behind Vicario Di Bray and took over as the leader tired approaching the

"He gets better and better, and is still just a big baby," Richards said. "He would want about three weeks off before Cheltenham and I would like to give him one more race to get some petrol in his tank."

Half an hour earlier, Richards could not hide his frustration at the performance of Randolph Place, who failed to complete the course for the third time this season in the McAlpine Chall-

enge Cup.
At the second, an open ditch, Randolph Place put in a short one, hit the top of the fence and left Neale Doughty little chance of staying in the saddle. "I just don't know what to do with him

now," Richards said.

Doughty hurt his back in the fall and had to give up his remaining rides, including Jinxy Jack, to go to hospital for Xгауз.

Jinxy Jack proved the bright spot of an otherwise frustrating afternoon for Gordon Richards Vision, who put up an excellent performance to beat Richards's The race was won by Edwards performance to beat Richards's

other runner. The Demon Barber, after two seasons off the Edwards Vision, now with Thomas Tate, broke down with an injured fetlock joint at Mar-ket Rasen in March 1988 when

trained by Monica Dickinson. Graham Bradley, the winning jockey, said: "My horse blew up just after the second last but we were fortunate that The Demon

Barber made a mistake. It's a great training fear." Richards's other runners -Palm Lad, Tartan Tempest and Ballydally Express — were all disappointing favourites.

Palm Lad unscated Graham McCourt two out when challenging the eventual winner, Mercurius, in the Hurlford Novices' Handicap Chase. But McCourt bounced back to initiate a double on Fisherman's Croft in the Hayhill Novices' Claiming Hurdle. Fisherman's Croft has now won six times for

the Full Circle syndicate. Nigel Tinkler's application for the renewal of his jockey's licence has been turned down by the Jockey Club because of his training commitments. Tinkler had three winners from seven rides last season and has partnered 250 winners in the last 16 years.

Carvill's Hill has

Naas date By Christopher Goulding

Carvill's Hill, the principal hope of Ireland for the Cheltenham Gold Cup, is likely to run twice in the next week.

Jim Dreaper's eight-year-old has his second outing of the season in the Boyne Handicap Chase at Naas on Saturday and

he is also a probable for the Irish qualifier in the Arlington Premier Chase series Punchestown on Wednesday.

"He needs racing to get fit and it will also give him further experience," Dreaper said yesterday. With Carvill's Hill falling at

the seventh feace in the Gold Cup on his only venture outside Ireland last season, Dreaper is keen to give him another run at Cheltenham before the festival. "At the moment I plan to send him over to Cheltenham on him over to Chencesman on January 27 for the Arlington Final," Dreaper said. "Then we'll try and win the Vincent O'Brien Gold Cup at Leopardstown for the second

6 Colin Tinkler landed Southwell double yesterday with Timsolo, partnered by Gary Carter, and Gothic Ford, ridden by Brace Raymond. Carter com-pleted a double when scoring on Petite Buttlerfly for Wally

LINGFIELD PARK

Selections

12.55 Duncton Hill. 1.25 Disneyland. 1.55 Plaza Gizon. 2.25 Distant Relation. 2.55 Lobric. 3.25 Up The Cherries.

(£2,280: 3m) (7)

2.25 MANY HANDS NOVICES HURDLE (21,576:

(£1,576: 2m) (10)

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12.55 STITCH IN TIME NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O:

4-5 Duncton Hill, 11-8 Safly Forth, 15-2 Phila Friend.

1 1101 DISNEYLAND 11 (CO.F) Mrs J Phinan 6-11-10

1.55 BIRD IN THE HAND HANDICAP HURDLE

By Mandarin

£1,422: 2m 4f) (3 funners)

1.25 TOO MANY COOKS HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,641: 2m) (4)

Evens Disneyland, 2-1 Xhei, 4-1 Doc's Cost, 12-1 Ardmore

9-4 Plaza Gizon, 5-2 Lesbet, 100-30 Hasty Gamble, 5-1 Straight Gin, 12-1 Poone Express, 16-1 others.

11 2221 DISTANT RELATION 8 (8,0,0) K Curningham-Brown 5-11-2 J Prog

13-6 Distant Relation. 11-4 Str. Jamestown, 7-2 Barley Loaf, 8-1 HB-Way Blues, 12-1 Sheralam, 16-1 Topgiow. 2.55 ROLLING STONE HANDICAP HURDLE

(£2,322: 2m 4f) (6) 1 215P GOLD TRYT 18 (8,D,F,S) T McGovern 5-17-10 A Jones 4 4165 TRIBAL MASCOT 19 (D,BF,F) D Gendoifo 5-10-1

5 -OFP ALL INTERT 14 (F) G Thomer 8-18-0 ... W NicFarland 6 P-00 OXYMERON 28 (8,F) K Baloy 8-10-0 ... D Gallagher (3) 5-2 Lobric, 3-1 Wingcommander Eats, 4-1 Tribal Mascot, 6-1 Gold Tint, 8-1 Oxymeron, 10-1 All Intent. 3.25 BAD PENNY NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE

11-8 Up The Cherries, 100-30 Rawisbury, 4-1 Royal Cause Brookerfield, 10-1 Takeaway, 14-1 Anglia Vale, 16-1 others

Course specialists TRAINERS: Mrs J Pitman, 7 winners from 39 natures, 17.9%; N Henderson, 4 from 28, 14.3%; J Jenkins, 5 from 49, 10.2%, (Only qualifiers).

Carrick Hill Lad, the north's have matters all his own way. good use in the second dibrightest chasing prospect, can extend his unbeaten sequence to seven in the Kilmarnock

Wetherby.

Gordon Richards plans to rest his rising star before Cheltenham but, knowing how difficult that particular race is to win, the shrewd Greystoke trainer is wisely giving his charge some valuable experience against sea-

in handicap company and Samfen, in receipt of 3lb, should ensure he does not

cap Hurdle.

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Burgoyne, undefeated in two runs on the Flat for Henry Cecil last year, beat all but the

and can put that experience to his peak.

Selections By Mandarin 2.00 Carrick Hill Lad. 2.30 Burgoyne. 3.00 KIRSTY'S BOY (nap).

By Michael Seely 12.30 Carbonate, 1.30 Dale Park, 2.00 CARRICK HILL LAD (nap). The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.30 BURGOYNE.

Going: good to soft 12.30 DRONGAN CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,092; 2m) (12

BETTING 5-2 Carbonate, 100-30 Pendley Gold, 9-2 Trebonkars, 6-1 Haltonor, 8-1 Clippers Dream, Velvet Pearl, 12-1 Furnace MR, 18-1 others.

FORM FOCUS HALCANOR week-sned 2 out when a 181 4th to Kharif at Kelso (2m 8f, good) lest morth and can confirm placings with BORLEAFRAS (8th) and LYGHTFALL (8th) over this shorter trip. TRESCHIUSS made most and held on to best Kharif a head at Edinburgh (2m 4f, good to firm) on penulahnake outing and teleple a drop in distance after weakshing 5 out when a well besten 12th of 19 to impressive Midland Glace bare (2m 8f, good to soft). PENDLEY GOLD kept on well when a 21 2nd to Tencred Sand over course and distance (good).

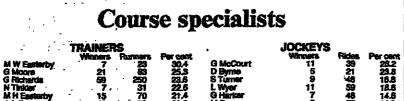
1989: LOTUS ISLAND 5-11-6 D Sullyan (3-1 jt-fav) N Tirkier 8 ran CARSONATE tailed to quicken close home when a 71 2nd to Moody Man at Haydock (2m, good to soft) where BORLEAFRAS Enlated a distant 12th. CLIPPERS DREAM reverts to the this trip eiter weekening 2 out behind Westerlight at Hechan (2m 4f, good; earlier successful at Catteriot (2m, firm) when getting up close home to best Miss Sherbrooks a head. FURNIACE MILL weekened from 2 out when a 101 4th of 16 to One For The Pot over course and

0	KINCAI	DSTON NOVICES CHASE (22,626: 2m 4f) (9 runners)	
1	12/P-242	ASTON EXPRESS 12 (CD,Q,S) (J. Festherstone) G Moore 7-11-4	1
		BORDER SPARK 39 (F) (Mrs V Gilmour) G Richards 7-11-4	
3	863P/3	CAROUSEL ROCKET 12 (4,5) (A Seccomendo) J S Wison 7-11-4 L Wyer	į
4	4-06PP	MAJESTIC RIDE 12 (T Summerfield) J Other 8-11-4 J O'Gorgen (3)	_
		SNOW BABU 20 (D,S) (A Manuley) D Moffait 8-11-4 C Despie (3)	
		SUPER TREX 7 (Airs & Catherwood) G Flicherds 7-11-4	
		SUPPOZE 721 (Mrs A Page) W A Stephenson 7-11-4 C Great -	
8	FF2213	TARTAN TABARD 277 (8) Edinburgh Woollen Mill Ltd G Richards 8-11-4 G McCoart -	_
		TEN OF CLIEBS 12 (S Brown) M W Easterby 9-11-4 R Viscley	

SETTING: 11-8 Aston Express, 9-4 Super Trix, 9-2 Carousel Rocket, 8-1 Border Spark, 10-1 Tartan 1989: SHESHOONS LAST 9-11-4 T Read (11-4) W McGhie 4 ren FORM FOCUS ASTON EXPRESS, a very useful hurder, blundered 3 out when a 12 2nd to Tarten Tempest on Heathern (8m, good) fending debut with TEM OF CLUBS (7th) and MAJESTIC REDE pulled up before

SUPER TRIK mode mistakes when a 71 2nd to Mister Point at Wetherby (2m 50)xt, good. TARTAN TABARD was behind when falling in 2 similar events tast term and is having first outing since finishing a 18 3nd to Andros Prince over hurdles at Harham (3m, good to Soft) in April. Needs testing ground to show best.

13th SORDER SPARK, makes chasing debut, lept on under pressure to beat floyel Mile by 2% over hunder at Newcastle (3m, good to firm). Selection: ASTON EXPRESS



SEDGEFIELD

Selections By Mandarin

12.45 Change The Name. 1.15 Reiver's Lad. 1.45 Sobail.

2.15 Sawdust Jack.

Going: good 12.45 TOW LAW NOVICES SELLING HURDLE (£1,380: 3m 2f 160yd) (16 runners) viorbington — D Wildson — 93

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— A Decise (5)

— N Smith (7)

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BETTHM2: 3-1 Running Fortune, 7-2 Change The Name, 4-1 Lucky Hunburg, 9-2 Warrior's Promise, 6-1 pm, 14-1 Cambrea Fred, 16-1 Tergolie, 20-1 others. 1988: NO COMMESPONDING RACE 1.15 SPENNYMOOR HANDICAP CHASE (\$2,163: 3m 2f 160yd) (7 runners)

1 3P-22P4 ANDREW 19 (8) (G McGuinnes) S Lactbeter 7-12-0 J Honors 33
2 21233 LINGHAM detail 8 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (J Swisca) J Swisca 8-11-12 Mr 8 Swisca 87
3 4-22P3 COOL RECEPTION 2 (Q,S) (P Piller) W A Singhermon 9-11-10 Mr K Johnson (6) 9 94
4 UIL-PRE PADDY HAYTON 13 (CD,F,S) (Mr M P Warns) S Lactbetter 9-11-8 A Mention 95
5 43P22-P REVERTS LAD ES (J Walton) F Walton 9-11-6 B Storage 98
6 03223-P MOONS QUADRELLE 8 (CD,F,S) (Mrs S Gospe) Mrs S Gospe) 14-11-1 Mr H Brown
7 10-UFSR THE MALTIKEN 18 (V,G) (H Young) Mrs R Weston 7-10-11 A Orinsy 98
18TTINGS 9-4 Lingham Bride, 4-1 Relieve's Lad, 5-1 The Maltish, 9-1 Cool Reception, 8-1 Andrew, 33-1
18DY Hayton, Moons Quadrille.

1969: POLAR NOMAD 8-12-0 M Dwyer (4-1) W A Stephenson 7 ren 45 BORDER KNIGHT HANDICAP CHASE (22,275: 2m) (3 runners) 32117F SCHAIL & (D.F.O.S) (Mrs E Cittion) J White 7-12-0 ... 35322-3 (CEMBL & (CD.F.O.S) (J Swiera) J Swiera 13-10-7 ... 365-936 Wr.L.Owr20 2 (Mrs A Exerc) D Williams 7-10-0 ... Long hundicast: Williamson 9-8. BETTING: 11-8 Williamson, 13-8 Kersil, 11-4 Schell.

1989: HALL STREET 7-12-0 M Dwyer (Brens fee) Jimmy Fitzgerald 8 ran

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METTING: 9-4 Mowthorpe, 3-1 I (Id You Not, 7-2 Mil De Lesse, 4-1 Spark Of Peace, 5-1 Concert Paper Maw Broon, 3-1 Torwade, 10-1 Taylormade Boy, 16-1 others.

1889: SHS.GROVE PLACE 7-11-0 J O'Gorman (2-1 fav) Mrs S Bremail 10 ran

Course specialists

JOCKEYS Per can 37.5 33.3 23.2 17.5 16.3 15.6



Finding best of wind, but wary of whales

big hangovers on New Year's Day. All the weather maps we pick up almost hourly on board Rothmans by radio factionile, suggested light, fickle winds, yet here we are, no new reaching at 12 5 known power-reaching at 12.5 knots towards New Zealand's North

We are 350 miles due east of New Plymouth and 500 miles from Cape Reinga, still trailing the two New Zealand ketches Statalogue and Fisher ketches Steinlager and Fisher & Paykel. The expectation is shortly, but being furthest but if we have read the

Our extreme easterly course, south of the riumb line, was a deliberate ploy to break the cover of the two ketches. I am also expecting stronger winds closer to New Zealand's North Island, bowing at a more favourable angle to lift us up around the cape. If beach and first to pick up any

for another high-pressure sys-tem to sweep across our course duelling New Zealand boats, les behind the

warned that the greatest danger during this 3,400-mile stage from Fremantle was ranning into fishing drift nets in the Tasman, some of which are reportedly 60 kilometers long. We have had no need for se yachts are when they hit

rectly, we hope to be back in the hunt by the top mark, ready to give the Kiwis a close

This is the second time Alain Gabbay and his crew have hit trouble during this race. The first came during the light yacht ran over a slumber were still on her keel when the

Swedish yacht during the sec-ond leg across the Southern

Our own yacht was designed by Rob Humphreys to with-stand the pressures of a standing stop from surfing speeds in bury up the mast, but what would happen to the crew, er indeed the rig, under such circumstances remains open to conjecture. The design objecwas to have a boat we could swim back to, not en that would sink under us.

complete

recovery

Bentley, aged 16, the No. 2 seed from Lincoln, who recently spent two months out of the

game recovering from a frac-tured skull, had to rescue herself

one set and 1-4 down to Jane

"I was in need of a break from

the game, and although it came

about in unfortunate and pain-

how much I missed playing,"

Philip Gainford, aged 17, the Cumbrian who is based in Wimbledon, and a protégé of the former Davis Cup player,

Roger Taylor, saved three match points in a 6-3, 4-6, 7-5

win over Stuart Hau, of

RESULTS: Girls' alagies: First round: J Similars (S Wales) bt S Owles (Esset), 8-0, 6-1; A Movemby (Yorks) bt A Mycack (Cheshire), 6-1, 8-2; J Landon (Susses) bt L AN (Devon), 6-3, 6-3; E Bond (Slos) bt J Hallperny (Harstord and Worce), 6-4, 6-3.

towards them. My biggest worry is that one flick of a tail uld be all that it takes to break a yacht's rudder, and after Charles Jourdan's experience, we are sailing with fingers crossed in the hope of

The official distance each yacht has to run to the finish, published each day by the race organisers, is providing a de-gree of amusement within the fleet. On the first leg, the official course from South-

But whales remain one of ampton to Uruguay cut

America. During the second leg, it missed out Rottnest Island and the circulatory route we had to take to finish

Now the official computers tell us we are within 500 miles of Auckland. They are right. but we would have to carry our North Island to match their course. In reality, the leading yachts still have more than 700 miles to cover — around the northern cape.

Perhaps the retired naval officers running this race could do with a refresher course in



To the fore: Haycock, No. 1 seed, winning through to the last 16 at Queen's Club yesterday

Professionalism abundant as England seek out sun Training squads Carling, England's captain, ENGLAND: Bucke: A Buzza (Cambridge University). 3 Hedgidsson (Notingham). If Ballay (Waspa), R Underwood (Leicaster). W Carling (Hericaulan). F Clough (Waspa), D Associat (Belth). 3 Halliday (Bath). R Associat (Belth). 3 Halliday (Bath). R Associat (Belth). 3 Halliday (Bath). Forwards: M Litratett (Mossley), A Mallime (Harlequins). J Probyn (Waspa), P Phantaguins). J Own (Harlequins). P Acklord (Harlequins). J Own (Harlequins). P Acklord (Harlequins). P Acklord (Harlequins). D Relations (Balle). W Dooley (Preston Grassleppers). S O'Leary (Waspa). D Pegier (Waspa). A Robinson (Bush). In Statumer (Harlequins).

RUGBY UNION: INTEREST IN FIVE NATIONS' CHAMPIONSHIP BEGINS TO MOUNT

England and Wales gather their forces today for departure to sunnier climes, the sh to Lanzarote and the Weish to the Algarve, in order to prepare for the five nations' onship. No doubt their intended warm and dry-weather training will ensure that January 20, the first weekend of the championship, will

Injuries have affected the nal composition of the Weish party, forcing the with-drawal of Phil Davies, of Llanelli, and Billy James, of Swansea, two of the most experienced forwards. Garin Jenkins, the Pontypool hooker who was a replacement for the Binternational with France in November, comes in for James, and Steve Williams, of Swansea, aged 19 and a The point of the exercise for schools international at No. 8 both countries, like tours last season, is the replacement overseas, is to focus the mind

surprisingly omitted from the original party, while Collins adds to the somewhat limited

By Michael Stevenson

Cheshire 18 Group..... 59

Cheshire 18 Group, vastly stronger, faster and more skilfui,

completed their county pro-

successive win, beating Durham at Winnington Park yesterday

by six goals, five tries and a

Impressive though they had

been against Lancashire last week, the disparity between

these sides allowed Cheshire to

display their talent for the 15

ditions. Lewys-Lloyd, at hooker.

Oliver, the No. 8, and McLennan all played well. Out-

side the scrum, Thompson, at full back, and the centres,

For Durham, who spent the afternoon going backwards fast, Simon worked hard at scrum

half and Bell, Mariathasan and

Moloney tried manfully to stem

SCOTLAND

penalty goal to nil.

Durham 18 Group.....

entirely on rugby, without the little hindrances of day-to-day In addition, two capped little hindrances of day-to-day players from Cardiff, Mark existence getting in the way. It Ring and Ritchie Collins, also creates time for individhave been brought into the ual clinics between coach and player, and for the physiolo-Seventeenth cap against New gists to make their tests as and when they wish.

The point of the exercise for

England will take a full complement in support of their squad of 28 players when

by Lewys-Lloyd who gave the scoring pass to Metcalfe; the interval score of 29-0 came from

a try by Baxendell from his own chip, and Durham's

discomforture was compounded by the reliability of Thompson's

Canaries. Geoff Cooke, the team manager, will have the A and B coaches, Roger Uttley, Siemen, with him, as well as the Rugby Football Union's technical director, Don Rutherford In addition, John Elliott, the national selector, will travel along with the medical team of Ben Gilfeather and Kevin Murphy, and the fitness advisors, I'om McNab and Rex

amount of technical and medical expertise. For instance, the presence of Elliott. a former hooker, Uttley, a second or back row, and Best, who played in nearly all scrummage positions, ensures specialist advice for the forwards, while Cooke, a stand-Rutherford, a full back, cover the backs. Three of them played international rugby, and of those who did not, Elliott was good enough to be

That offers a considerable

Last year, the RFU's own coaches were complemented by the presence of Pierre announced on January 10, two days after the party returns. Coach. Such a move is not The Welsh team to play expected over the next few France in Cardiff should be days, such was the furore it

accompanied by Rob Andrew and Brian Moore, will discuss with Dudley Wood, the RFU secretary, today the potential effect of the International Rugby Football Board's (IRFB) proposals on the amateur regulations. The players accept that Wood himself is unhappy with the proposals, but they wish to chart a course with, rather than against, the union should the proposals be

As Wood has admitted once the door has swung open for players to earn money as "sporting personalities" there will be no going back. It is in the interests of both those who play and those who adminway forward, in partnership rather than in conflict, though Wood believes that the proamendment if they receive the necessary 75 per cent majority vote from the IRFB.

land at Twickenham will be known on the same day, when raised in France, though Will they arrive home from Carling, for one, enjoyed the Portugal.

Cheshire continue Melrose can toast triumphant run Ramsey's kicking

Metrose.. With an eve to their national

Hard though Durham worked, the second half was equally one-sided. Thompson ran in for a fine try, which with his penalty and six conversions made his personal tally 19. It will be surprising if about six of this Cheshire side have not esland vesterday. Yet, although they won much greater possession, Melrose were only one try ahead at the end and the match might easily already been pencilled in by the North of England selectors.

SCORERS: Cheable: Tries: Devies, Of-ver (2), Morrod (2), Mescalla, Baxandel, Briers, Morrin, Thompson, Lewys-Lloyd. Commences: Thompson (6). Penalty

gest Thompson.

CHESHRE 13 GROUP; C Thompson (St.
Ansohn's Cologe); B Horris (Culcay GS),
R Davies (Poynton HS), J Bassadell
(Rhy's, Maccisethed), M Morrod (St.
Anthrose College); S Asbarot (Wirral GS),
N Brien (Whris (SS); J Cooke (Marple
Hall), G Lewys-Lloyd (Birtonhaud
Schoot), J Heachin (King's, Maccisethed),
J Heachin (King's, Maccisethed),
J Mechalic (Tarporiny HS), A MicLennes
(Winstow HS), S Persit (Alientic College),
T Downes (King's, Maccisethed), A Oliver
(Stockport GS).

the flood, but the result was clear after 10 minutes' play. (Stockport GS).

DURHAMI 18 GROUP: M Senell (Stockport With Form College); A Watson (Sackergh), R Wharton (Durham School), R Mariesm (Barmard Cartle), P Jones (Prymweligate Moor CS); P Arnell (Harrisspool Vith Form College), J Stenen (Barmard Castle), M Hay (Durham), K Formel (Barmard Castle), & Price (Stockport); Form College), M Fraser (Harrisspool Vith Form College), M Fraser (Harrisspool Vith Form College), M Fraser (Sockport); Melceney (Action Vith Form College), Reterect; D Legie (Manchester). Thompson's early penalty goal was soon followed by a brilliant try. Davies ran on the crash ball, quick possession was won and Briers threw a long switch pass which allowed his which Morrin nearly scored, but

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self got the pick up and the try. Almost immediately a pushforward their match against Wasps at Beeston to Friday, Oliver, and a try on the left by Morrod, from Baxendell's pre-cise chip, carried Cheshire out of nations' championship games between England and Ireland at ugh the points and the flowing moves kept coming. Twice McLennan's barst from the line was followed by a good run day. Twickenham and Wales and France at Cardiff the following

By Alan Lorimer

Glasgow H/K.

league campaign which resumes a week on Saturday against Boroughmuir, Melrose produced a positive display of attacking rugby to beat Glasgow High/Kelvinside at Old Anniesland westerness

Bassi, the GHK full back, had

The Glasgow Under-21 player, who kicked the winning inst the Anglo-Scots on goal against the Anglo-Scots on Saturday, missed four of five attempts and Breckenridge was no more successful when he took over duties for the final conversion attempt.

By contrast Ian Ramsey, Melrose and former Scotland B full-back, missed only one from five attempts and showed, in both his defensive and attacking play, that he has lost little after missing several months of rugby through illness.

The best of the Melrose running behind the scrum, however, came from Rednath and van Nickerk, their powerful centres, who frequently breached gaps in the GHK

Up front the driving play and close support of the Melrose forwards was impressive, particularly so Weir at lock, their replacement for Saturday's Scottish trial. His fellow replacement, Watt, worked equally hard for GHK, whose scrum-

Runs Weather

half, Ewan McCorkindale, overlooked for the national trial, also After Ramsey and Bassi had

The defending champions, put over one penalty apiece, Melrose made the breakthrough Jonathan Haycock and Sarah Bentley, scored sharply with a try by Weir. Taking advantage of the temporary retirement of Couper, GKH's contrasting wins in the Pruden-tial British junior covered-court prop, Melrose drove their oppo-London yesterday.
The No. 1 seed, Haycock, nents off their own ball at a set scrum and then powered their aged 17, of Dulwich College, breezed through to the last 16 with an emphatic 6-I, 6-3 victory over William Davis, of way to the line for Weir to score. Ramsey converted but just be-fore half-time a kick to the blind

side by McCorkindale and an awkward bounce for Leighton gave Wilson, GHK's wing, a try. Melrose started the second half strongly and from a surge by Weir, his fellow lock Brown was in the second set when she was try. Ramsey again converted and added the extra points to a Harper, before taking nine games in a row for a 2-6, 6-4, 6-0 try by van Niekerk, the centre, and Melrose completed their

scoring with a try by Brotherstone, the hooker. GHK showed admirable spirit in responding with two excellent tries by their left wing Hawkes; the first was made by his scrum-half McCorkindale from a blind side break; the second from line-out possession

with support from his fellow centre Docherty to give a more respectable scoreline. SCORERS: GHK: Tries: Wilson, Hawkes(2), Penety: Basel, BELROSE: Yies: Wek, Brown, van Hekerh, Brotherstane. Conversions: Rames(3). Panety: Ramey.

GHK: H Besst; D Wilson, K Docterty, McDiarmid, G Hawkes; G Brackennidge, McContindale; J Cosper, G Peterson, McKee, S Wittelew, A Watt, W Malcolm, Wallace, M Wallace,

MELROSE: 1 Remsey; A Purves, L van Niskerk, C Redpart, D Leighton; A Redburn, A Telt: T McLeich, S Brotherstone, D Lufen, G Weir, R Brown, A Redpath, C Hogg, A Ker. Referent K Johnston (Gala).

RACKETS Hue Williams aims to topple the champion

Mark Hue Williams will at-tempt today at Queen's Club to add the under-24 singles to the under-21 championship which he won earlier this season (a Special Correspondent writes). Hue Williams, who was a beaten semi-finalist in this season's amateur championship, has been seeded No. 1 despite the presence of last year's win-ner, Rupert Owen-Browne, who is seeded No. 2.

The draw contains the best young rackets players in the country and neither of the top seeds will have an casy passage, with Hue Williams likely to be stretched by both Michael Brooks, seeded four, and Guy Deverenz, five, and Owen-Browne facing strong opposition from Tim Cockroft, the third seed, as well as from the unseeded Alastair Robinson. In the doubles, Hue Williams and Cockcroft, the holders, are

likely to contest the final with

Owen-Browne, who is partnered

by Simon Davies, with whom he

and Chesnokov against Thomas

of Tennis Profession. Wellington yesterday. The Spaniard, who is the top seed, beat John McEnroe in the final of the Hopman Cup in Perth on Monday night and then hopped on a plane for the six-hour flight to Wellington. After a few hours rest in the morning he went on court to defeat Guy, of New Zealand, 4-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Andrei Chesnokov, of the Soviet Union, the second seed, also progressed with a 7-5, 2-6, 6-1 victory over Martin Wostenholme, of Canada. The top seeds have Swedish by Simon Davies, with whom he opponents in the next round, won the public schools doubles. Sanchez against Lars Jonsson

Cane, and the American, Paul Chamberlin, Cane defeated smooth-stroking Indian Ra-mesh Krishnan 6-4, 5-7, 6-3, and Chamberlin ousted the West German, Jens Wohrmann,

Johan Anderson, the Swedish-born Australian, produced the only upset on the second day Spaniard Javier Sanchez, the ixth seed, in impressive style. Sixth scott, in impressive style.

RESULTS: Mee's elegies: First round: E:
Sanchez (Sp) bi S Guy (N2), 4-8, 6-1, 6-4;
A Cheenolov (USSR) bi M Wossenhome
(Cart), 7-6, 2-8, 6-1; P Cane (I) bi R
(Internal (India), 6-4, 5-7, 6-3; J Anderson
(Aus) bi J Sanchez (Sp), 6-3, 6-4; P
Chamborin (US) bi J Wohrmann (WQ), 6-3, 6-7, 6-0; B Derite (N2) bi A Ratunen
(Fin), 6-3, 6-7, 6-2; J Bates (GB) bi G
Connell (Can), 7-5, 6-2; T Hopstoft (Swe)
bit S Materiolic (Japan), 5-7, 7-8, 6-2.

Bentley in Australia's young women on make

endorsements alone. Still, quite

rightly, it is the tennis that most

players and that has made me

realize they aren't really better

than me, so I think I can get to the top 20," McQuillan said.

"My forehand and backhand are

both going well, and now I want

to concentrate on my volley and be more aggressive. It's a matter of confidence and daring to take

In the day's biggest surprise

From Barry Wood, Brisbane make a big breakthrough, and with her fresh-faced good looks

While tennis in Britain lan-guishes in the doldrums, there are strong indications that the women's game in Australia she could make a fortune from stands on the threshold of a endorsements alone. Still, quite At the head of the group of

promising juniors is Rachel McQuillan, aged 18, who yesterday reached the third round of the Danone hard court mpionships with a 6-1, 3-6, 6-1 win over Elizabeth Smylie. She is backed up by others such as ber doubles partner, Jo-Anne Faull (presently injured). Stubbs and Kristin Godridge.

While the young ones have while the young ones have been winning this week, the older players, such as Dianne Balestrat and Anne Minter, have fallen by the wayside. Nicole Provis, once a French open semi-finalist, is the only disappointment. Still only 20, her mind has turned to love and her mind has turned to love and the consequent reduction in her work rate has taken its toll. She lost 7-6, 6-2 to Judith Weisner. McQuillan, a member of BP's Achiever's squad (similar to our own Challenger squad), twice defeated Sandra Cecchini during 1989, and ran Manuela

Kimiko Date, aged 19, defeated the fourth seed, kes Fairbank, 6-4, 6-3. Date is an oddity in that she plays right-handed but

that chance."

that she plays right-handed but writes and eats with her left. RESULTS: First round: J Wiesner (Austral) to N Provis (Aus.), 7-8, 6-2; 5 Martin (US) to N Provis (Aus.), 7-8, 6-2; 5 Martin (US) to N Provis (Aus.), 7-6, 6-2; 7-5; 1 Demongator (Fr) to L Frieté (Aus.), 6-4, 6-3 Second round: K Detts (Jap) to R Rastbank (US), 6-4, 6-3; R McChallan (Aus.) to Establish (CS) to E Surgin (US), 6-2, 6-2; H Sukova (CS) to E Plangform (Fr), 6-3, 7-5; N Zverawa (USSR) to N Jegarman, 6-2, 6-4; P Fendek (US) to E Sudorova (CS), 3-6, 7-5, 7-5; E inoue (Jap) to D Van Rensburg (SA), 7-6, 6-3; K Rinaid (US), to P Exchanged (Fr), 6-4, 6-0.

Arias rocks champion Adelaide (AP) - Jimmy Arias, of the United States, defeated Mark Woodforde, of Australia, the defending champion, in the

first round of the \$150,000 (£93,000) Australian hardcourt heat was potentially life-threatening. tennis championship here yesterday. Arias saved two set points in the first-set tie-break but then took control to win 7-6 (9-7), 6-3

evening heat. This earned him a secondround meeting with Aleksandr Volkov, of the Soviet Union, the

in a match played in stifling

Muster, of Austria, the third seed, overpowered Claudio Pistolesi, of Italy, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3, to face John Fitzgerald, of

Sleepy Sanchez wins

Emilio Sanchez recovered from an overnight flight from Austra-lia to defeat Steven Guy in the first round of the first tour-Hogstedt.
Also on the advance were two
other seeds: the Italian, Paolo nament on the new Association

Australia, in the second round. Fitzgerald defeated Xavier Daufresne, of Belgium, 3-6, 7-5 6-3, but complained that the

In other first-round matches, Sergi Bruguera, of Spain, the top seed, recovered from a slow start to defeat Per Henricsson, of Sweden, 7-6 (7-4), 6-2, to earn a meeting with Brod Dyke, of Australia. Dyke defeated Gary Mutter of South Africa 5-2 6-4 Australia. Dyke defeated Gary Muller, of South Africa, 6-2, 6-4, RESR.TS: Meer's singles: First round: S Buguers (Sp) to P Henrickson (See), 7-6, 6-2 B Dyke (Aus) to G Moster (SA, 6-2, 6-4; M Schapers (Neth) to P Korde (C2), 6-8, 44 M Schapers (Neth) to P Korde (C2), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; J Pizzgerald (Aus) to X Dautesine (Bel), 3-6, 7-5, 6-3; P Annacone (US) to 8 Oreas (Yug), 6-2, 6-2 M Koevermans (Neth) to A Mirorz (NG), 6-1, 6-4; J Arles (US) to M Woodfords (Aus), 7-6, 6-3.

Repeat call to switch Open

Perth (AP) - John McEnroe. has repeated a call for the Australian Open tennis tournament to be rescheduled from January 10 March.

McEnroe, who is preparing for this year's Australian Open, which starts on January 15 in Melbourne, said the first grand siam tournament of the year was

"The event starts in two weeks' time and nobody could be at their best form because most have been resting after the ast tour," McEnroe said. "It needs to be pushed back, ideally to March.

"The Open is nowhere near the standard of the other grand lam events because a number of the leading players cannot be bothered turning up."

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The Wigan players were told by John Monie, their coach, yesterday. "Go away and forget all about rugby league for three days. You can enjoy your Christmas and New Year celebrations now."

Monie's seasonal gesture is born of the ruthless professionalism that has marked his short reign at Central Park since he took over from Graham Lowe at the start of the season. Wigan are top of the first

Wigan are top of the first division, and have reached the final of the Regal Trophy after a 40-busy December. They played busy December. They payed and won three matches over the holiday period, against St Helens, Castleford and Warrington, and Monie said after the win at Warrington: "The players have given everything, and they are timed out."

tired out."

They will return for a brief training stint on Saturday before another tough match against Bradford Northern on Sunday. Bradferd Nerthern on Sunday.

Wigan's labours have brought them the Stones Bitter team award for December, with Halifax taking the second division award. These two sides spent December winning through to the Regal Trophy final at Headingley on January 13.

St Heleas will today face an inquiry by the RL board of directors into the postponement of their home league game against Bradford Northern last Friday. The Saints said this was

Friday. The Saints said this was because of the large number of injuries at Knowsley Road.
They face a fine or other
punishment unless they can
produce convincing medical evidence at today's meeting.

Widnes, the champions, are keeping their Tongan forward. Bob Tuayao, under contract, atthough he cannot play until the start of next season. They are not prepared to release Tuavao despite the retention of Kiwi prop, Joe Grima, on the over-

seas quota.

• Paul Mellor, the Swinton stand-off half, will be out six weeks after an operation on a fractured cheekbone

Thatto Heath, the St Helens amateur side, will play Batley in the preliminary round of the Silk Cut Challenge Cup at Knowsley Roadon Friday week. The winners visit Widnes in the

HOCKEY

England masked as Lions

squad for Barcelona to play in the Los Reyes tournament which is the next step in their preparation for the World Cup starting in Lahore on February

The Los Reyes tournament begins on Friday with England, playing as the Lions, taking on El Cid, which is really the Spanish national side. On Sat-urday, Lions will meet the hosts. Real Club de Polo, and com-plete their fixtures on Sunday with a match against the Blue

Devils which, in turn, is the French national team. England's last event for the World Cup will be the Four Nations' tournament from January 26 to 28 at Malaga, where they will be opposed by Spain, France and The Netherlands Only Spain among these three teams are in En-gland's pool at Lahore.

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TABLE TENNIS

Fitness doubts over Elliot and Andrew Skylet Andrew and Fiona Elliot

are among the team nomina-tions for the Leeds English open championships, which start at Trafford Park, Manchester, tomorrow, even though there are doubts about their fitness. Andrew, the England No. 4, from Essex, still has six stitches in his left thumb after banging it against the table during the National Top 12 tournament on Saturday. He does not expect to have the stirches tables. bave the stitches taken out until tomorrow at the earliest, but said he should be fit by the end

Elliot, who was the holder of the women's title, withdrew from the Top 12 because of a kidney infection, but hopes to be fully recovered by tomorrow. ENGLAND SQUADE: Ment A Cookin (Derbys), D Douglas (Warwicks), C Press (Isie of Wight), S Andrew (Ensex), M Mason (Surrey), Womes: A Gerden (Gerist), A Holf (Larce), L Louise (Geds), F SSOI (Staffe).

BOWLS Duff hoping

for a double

The first international event of the year gets under way in Ballymoney today, when eight leading United Kingdom players contest the Bushmills Whiskey Irish Masters (a Special Correspondent writes). Hugh Duff is defending the title—worth £1,750—with fellow Scots, Willie Wood and Richard Corse, among the challengers. Corsic, among the challengers.

The first match today is between Duff and the 1984 world champion, Jim Baker, who is one of two local men in the great Month to the champion of two local men in the event. Wood takes on John Price of Swansea, with the evening matches featuring David Couldland Cosses and an all-England match betwee Tony Allcock and Noci

Ivanced elders only. Glencoe: discient snow for sking. Forecast for totals sid records for Wednesday; M was will have cloudy day with a dry st secondarias resource of the service of the morning outprets of rain or steet will never cloudy day with a dry start. However, during the course of the morning outprets of rain or steet will make to disease and Calengore, and then Leath by the early aftermoon. Gleacee and Asmach Allor should have a mainty dry day though access the rain or sleet may occur in the afternoon. The cloud base will be around \$000te, but patiches are likely at 1000t, chally at Gleachee and Calengore. Winds resinty southerly moderate or fresh but story between \$,000 and \$,500n. Outlook for the next 48 hours: The next weather will stay between \$,000 and \$,500n. Outlook for the next 48 hours: The next weather will soptime with moderate or fresh southerly winds. A good deal of cloudy weather is expected with thin from time to time, taking as sized or snow on higher aross.

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In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L. refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art to artificial.

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GOLF

Faldo opts

for slopes

before the

campaign

By Mitchell Platts

Golf Correspondent

Nick Faldo will launch his 1990

campaign to topple Greg Nor-man from No. 1 place in the

Sony World Rankings by twice opposing the Australian on his

Faldo opted more than a

month ago not to play in the Tournament of Champions, which starts in California to-

morrow, in order to relax with his family, skiing in France, although it will not be long

before he begins to sharpen his

Leadbetter for a tuning-up session prior to moving on to Australia," Faldo said.

Norman starts the decade top of the rankings with Faldo, Severiano Ballesteros and Cur-

tis Strange behind him. Norman and Faldo will meet first in the Super Skins at the Mirage resort,

Port Douglas, Queensland, on February 10-11, prior to the Australian Masters at Huntingdale, Melbourne, on

As Masters champion, Faldo was eligible for the Tournament of Champions, but as a non-member of the US PGA Tour he

is restricted to only five tour-naments in addition to the three

major championships and the World Series of Golf.

on the regular tour to prepare for

the big championships. He is considering playing in the Desert Classic in Dubai on February 22-25 and if he does so

then it seems likely that he will

warm up for the Masters (April

5-8) by playing in The Nestle Invitational in Orlando on March 22-25 and the Houston

Open the following week and in the Heritage Classic at Hilton Head Island afterwards. His only other visits to the United States will be in June

(Western Open and US Open) and then in August (US PGA

Championship, The Inter-national and the World Series of

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Wisely, he has elected to play

February 15-18.

RUGBY LEAGE Non-sto Wigan g

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her he made a rude gesture towards supporters.

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City forward, was fined by the
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interview with Joe Jordan, the meaning, yesterday marging.
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Clubs and Anglos the toast of FA act as Rangers as they holiday turns sour savour rare victory By Louise Taylor Football yesterday continued to demonstrate its determination to

By Roddy Forsyth

While the Football Associ-

take firm action over player

the matter should be seems when at the earliest opportunity but had to wait to hear Robbie's side

had to wait to hear Robbie's side of the story."

The FA yesterday said it was waiting to hear from Bill Williams, of Stockport, and Peter Ward, of Rochdale, for their accounts of events in the Edgeley Park tunnel following Stockport's 2-1 win. "We have had the referee's report, which includes information about an incident relayed by a lineaman, so the next step will be contacting the players reported as being involved," a spekesman said.

Halifax suspended Gerry Brook, their youth team coach, after he made an obscene gesture at supporters who were calling

at supporters who were calling for the dismissal of Billy Ayre, the fourth division cinb's man-ager, at the end of a 1-0 defeat at

McAllister

plays down

transfer

Gary McAllister, the Leicester City midfield player, last night

put the speculation, linking him

Nottingham Forest, in perspec-tive (Chris Moore writes).

"I am not going to be rushed into anything," McAllister, who is also attracting the attentions

of Amenal, Tottenham and Cehic, said.

"In an ideal world, I would

with a £1 million move to

stion announced that it is considering action against two players involved in a scuffle at Suckport County on Boxing Day, Bristel City imposed a for the passet of the pas dour Glasgow derby at Parkhead yesterday did little heavy fine on a forward involved in an incident in their match against Preston North End on Monkey and Halifax Town suspended their youth coach for the reputation of this fixture as a showpiece, but it did see Rangers emerge with their status as title favourites confirmed. A single goal scored by Nigel Spackman, recently acquired from Queen's Park Rangers for £500,000, was sufficient to fierce second-half surge by Celtic might easily have split the decision but for some remarkable goalkeeping by

Woods, It was Celtic's first new year efeat in a Glasgow derby for

Graeme Souness, the Rangers manager, said: "I am naturally delighted to leave Parkhead with a victory but I last year we promptly paid the rice Johnston. price for complacency when we lost to Motherwell the following week. We have four months to go in this championship and the next match against Aberdeen must be approached in the correct

the contribution of Spackman as a key element in his team's escaped further damage when success, "I thought he was our Johnston touched a delicate best player against Hibernian pass ahead of McCoist, who on Saturday and I thought he was outstanding again today." athleticly diverted it beyond It was an afternoon in which

Englishmen played a prominent part and the temper of a somewhat boorish first half was established by the ninth minute, when Walters was cautioned for a follow-through on Coyne as the Celtic forward brought the ball clear. Such fluency as was on

take the points to Ibrox but a display, it was soon evident, would come largely from Rangers, whose task was made simpler by the lack of guile in the Celtic midfield, discomfited by the power of Spackman and the subtlety of

In the 14th minute, the visitors took a deserved lead with a move made more unpalatable for the Celtic supporters by the fact that it was orchestrated by the forhave stressed to my players was orchestrated by the for-that when we won this fixture mer Parkhead forward, Mau-

As play swirled along Rangers' left flank, Johnston broke free in possession and found McCoist in support. McCoist in turn switched a short infield pass ahaed of Spackman, who arrived at speed to slip his drive low past Bonner. There Despite his understandable had been a remarkable ab-

Aberdeen ignore early goals to crush Dundee

Aherdeen spent the first quarter of their Scottish League premier division match fighting back after twice going behind to the bottom club, Dandee, but maintained the pressure on Rangers, staying two points behind the leaders, with a magnificent 5-2 win at Pittodrie yesterday. Wright ran from midfield to score Dundee's first after 11

minutes, and although Grant equalized two minutes later, Campbell restored the visitors' lead midway through the half. Then came the fightback. Van der Ark, who scored twice against Motherwell on Saturday, against Motherwell on same added a brace before the interval, and Bett was also on target. In the 75th minute, Nicholas

In the lower reaches of the table, Metherwell dominated the first half of a flawed game at Fir Park but were unable to tempers frayed, Arnott gave the home side the lead with a closerange shot, then was sent off, along with Martin, of St Mirren. Cooper, provider of the first goal, crossed to Kirk, who headed in at the far post to earn

the home side a 2-0 victory.

The first division's meeting of top and bottom found Forfar in nerous vein: three St Johnstone goals in the 5-1 rout that kept them in the promotion spot were conceded by home defend-ers - Winter, twice, and Hutton.

Mills moves back to East Anglia

missed by Stoke City, Mick Mills was yesterday appointed the manager of Colchester United, at present 91st in the League (Louise Taylor writes).
Mills, who is 41 tomorrow, is returning to the area where, as part of the lpswich Town de-fence, he enjoyed some of the highlights of his playing career, including captaining England in the 1982 World Cup finals.

He takes over from Steve Foley, the caretaker manager at Layer Road since Jock Wallace relinquished the position in order to take a scat on the board three weeks ago. Foley will revert to senior coach.

Mills will be working without a contract at Colchester, but said yesterday: "My first aim is to get the club away from its present position. I have no contract, but with a chairman like Jonathan Crisp, whom I have known for many years, it is not really

• Kevin Pressman, the Sheffield Wednesday goalkeeper, was ruled out for the rest of the season yesterday after under-going an operation for ruptured knee ligaments. He was carried off after colliding with David Oldfield, of Manchester City, at Hillsborough on New Year's

Wasim already shows the racket craft and physical determ-

ination that has made his father

one of the game's longest lasting

The Pakistani forces ranged against Marshall in the bottom half of the draw carry equal

senetic threat. Samir is the son of Shah Jahan, a famous Paris-based professional who died last

year. His cousin Subair is the

younger brother of those re-

nowned fighters, Hiddy and

Zarak Jahan, and Amanat is the

son of Torsam Khan, whose

death from heart attack on court

in 1979 inspired his younger brother Jahangir to notable

Any failure by any of these young Pakistanis would bring little respite to Marshall, who

would instead face the un-

predictable Julian Bonetat, of France, or David Campion, the

young Yorkshire champion,

with much to prove in junior

ranks from which injuries have often barred him.

out to prove a point to selectors

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team championship last year.

RESULTS: British Marr's Open Under-19 Chemplomehiz: Second Round: 3 Partie (Yorkshire) bit P Lee (Sussex), 9-2, 9-3, 9-1; F Wichman (Wast Garmany) bit M Bunting (Gemba), 9-2, 9-3, 9-7. British Women's Open Under-19 Chemplomship: Second Round: Z Shartilow (Sussex) bit K Meeleins (Bedfordshire), 3-9, 9-3, 9-2, 10-9; D Grzonia (Wast Garmany) bit A Wiray (Yorkshire), 9-1, 9-1, 9-7.

Rebecca Macree may also be

and fiercest competitors.

 Barry Lloyd, the manager of Brighton and Hove Albion, was yesterday given a vote of confidence by the club, three days after supporters staged demonstration for his removal. Brighton have gone 11 weeks without a victory and supporters held a noisy protest at the Goldstone Ground following the 1-0 defeat by Oxford on Saturday. Ron Pavey, the chief executive, said: "The fans are always quick to do this kind of thing when we lose - but we are right behind Barry."

 Shaun Brooks, the Bourne-month midfield player, was detained in hospital overnight after sustaining a back injury during the 2-2 home draw with Plymouth Argyle on Monday. Harry Redknapp, the Bourne-mouth manager, said: "Brooks had damaged the base of his spine but hopes that with rest he could be fit to face Sheffield United in the FA Cup on Saturday."

• Martin Kuhl, the Portsmouth midfield player, is to be sus-pended for two matches after accumulating 21 disciplinary points from seven bookings. He will miss the match at Stoke and the home game against Bradford

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Scots hopefuls face challenge from overseas

Scottish players, with Common-wealth Games' hopes, sharpen up for Anckland at the Glasgow Open Championships this weekend, against a leading forcign entry.

last Commonwealth Games in his home town, is top seed in the men's singles and in the same haif of the draw as David Gilmour, Hamilton's 18 yearold prospect.
Gilmour is not included in the

Scottish squad for Auckland but is ranked No. 3 in Scotland after beating Middlemiss in the Dunfermline Open at the end of last year. In a cosmopolitan field, sev-

will present the Scots with problems, with two Dutchmen, Bruill and Van Dalm, seeded in the top four in the men's singles and Magnusson and Hansson, of Sweden, expected to reach the semi-finals of the men's

In the women's singles, Anne Gibson, who has been in unstoppable form in Scotland

With the Commonwealth Games in mind, Dan Travers pairs up with Alex White in the men's doubles—they are the top seeds—and sisters Jenny and Etinor Allen, from Edinburgh, have the top billing in the women's doubles.

Bonner but the linesman's flag was raised for offside against Woods was not obliged to make a save until he clutched

a cross from Morris in the 37th minute and Johnston and McCoist continued to find agreeable space behind the Celtic rearguard, but although Rangers were by far could not add to the margin before half-time. The fragility of such a slim advantage in a contest of this

nature was demonstrated after the interval. Celtic pushed Aitken further forward in midfield and replaced the ineffective Miller with the more adventurous Dziekanowski, substitutions which manifestly supplemented their energy.

The crisis of the match came midway through the second half, when Celtic forced half a dozen corners in quick succession. Both sets of supporters willed their heroes to resolve the issue with a bedlam of noise as raucous as anything ever heard in the old stadium and, in the event, Woods maintained Rangers' lead when he brilliantly fingertipped Elliott's header over the crossbar following McStay's corner kick.

Thereafter, the game ebbed from Celtic, although Aitken was unfortunate to be cautioned when he ran on to McStay's prompt and left Woods injured in what appeared to be an accidental

The Celtic captain, reputedly the subject of renewed scrutiny by Newcastle United, came even closer in the final minute when his cross from minute when his cross from the right struck the crossbar.
CELTIC: P Bonner; C Morris, D Widowczyk, R Altken, P Elicit, D Whyle, P Grant, P McStey, T Coyne, M Galloway (sub: A Welker), J Miller (sub: D Dziekanowsko).
RANGERS: C Woods; G Stevens, S Munro (sub: C Vinnicombe), R Gough, N Spectmen, T Butcher, T Steven, M Welters, A McCoist, M Johnston, J Brown, Referee: D D Hope.

Romanian side faces

Bucharest (AFP) - Dinamo Bucharest football club may have to give up their place in the UEFA Cup quarter-finals after changing their name to Unirea Tricolor to escape their links with the Romanian police.

The club was previously called Unirea Tricolor before the communists took power in 1948 and Dinamo Bucharest. like most others in the Eastern bloc with the name Dinamo, became the preserve of the state According to the Agerpress

news agency, the club will resume activities straight away after the upheavals of the revolution which saw the downfall of the Securitate police force's protector, Nicolae

The agency said Tricolor would now be reorganized on a democratic basis and would, as arranged, meet Partizan Bel-grade in the UEFA Cup quarterfinals on March 7 and 21. But reports from Yugoslavia have said Partizan may take advantage of UEFA rules which stops clubs taking part in European competitions for the rest of the season if they change their

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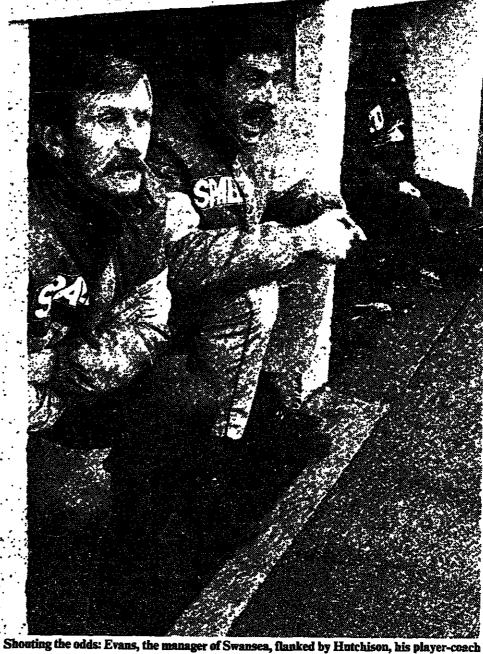
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Swansea in debt to their benevolent opponents

Swansea City might have been reduced to a blurred memory for most supporters living outside of South Wales if it had not been Cup threat

South visits if it had not been for the benevolence of Liverpool, the club they face in the third round of the FA Cup on Saturday.

In December 1985, three and a half years after City had achieved their pinnacle by finishing sixth in the first division, the club found itself mable to meet an Inland Revenue tax demand of £100,000, was deemed insolvent and was

wound up.

As the property developers began to jockey for position outside of the Vetch Field stadium, Doug Sharpe, the chairman, hurriedly put together a rescue package, the success of which hinged on his ability to persuade Liverpool to show uncommon mercy to a one-time championship rival fallen on

Swansea owed Liverpool £150,000 in unpaid fees after the transfers from Anfield of Colin irwin in 1981 and Ray Kennedy the following season. The Swan-sea coffers were empty and, had Liverpool demanded payment and so scuppered the financial package hid before the courts, liquidation would have ensued.

After meetings between Sharpe and John Smith, his opposite number at Liverpool, the Merseyside club agreed to cancel the debt.
"I think that I would have

judge had Liverpool not agreed to help us out," Sharpe said. "They were absolutely tremen-dons and, without their generos-ity, who knows what might have hernened to this slip. We are appened to this club. We owe them a great deal.

"This club actually went to the wall; the Inland Revenue put as in court and we were we up. I needed time and I could only get that time by persuading Liverpool, and our other cred-itors, to lend support. As a result, the winding-up order was

"I was sick with worry at that point but I will never forget one occasion when John Smith innatted me on the back and said: 'Good luck'. It meant a lot to

Swansea, who occupy a comfortable mid-table position in the third division, are in the throes of rebuilding, placing beavy reliance on the exuberance and natural enth: of young players like Andrew Melville, the club captain, who won his first full international cap for Wales in the recent World Cup qualifying game against West Germany in Cologne.

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prone to make even Kenny Dalglish appear verbose.

"I have played Liverpool (wice in cups, firstly with Crystal Palace and then with Barnsley," he said. "Each time they beat us experience that there is no second chance against Liverpool. We have to do it here

Assisting Evans, who was a nember of the Palace side which reached the semi-finals of the FA Cup in 1976, is Tommy Hutchison, the former Scottish international winger who, at the age of 42 and with more than 800 League appearances for six clubs behind him, is still capable of embarrassing defenders young enough to be his offspring.

Another veteran in the Swan-sea ranks is Robbie James, aged 32, who, along with Alan Curtis, aged 35, is the only survivor from the side defeated by Liverpool 4-0 at the Vetch Field at the same stage in the cometition in 1982.`

James, who recently recovered from a serious knee injury. is optimistic about City's chances against the Cup holders while respectful of their oppo-"When you look at their players, it is enough to make strong men 20 weak at the knees, but people ould not write as off just because we are in the third division," he said. "We shall do our homework properly and will be well prepared."

Golf in successive weeks).

Mountjoy blunder loses title

By Steve Acteson

Doug Mountjoy, the title holder, was the senior casualty as the Mercantile Credit Classic began with a scattering of top seeds in

Blackpool yesterday.

Mountjoy, also beaten first time out in defence of his UK. championship in November, lost 5-4 to Steve Duggan after four hours and 57 minutes. Terry Griffiths, ranked fifth, lost 5-1 to Warren King, of Australia. who is No 55 in the world and Jimmy White, the would No 4 was beaten by influenza Mountjoy, who lost to Ste-phen Hendry in the Dubai

Classic final in early November, has struggled ever since. Mountjoy threw away the match in the deciding frame, after pulling back from 3-1 behind. When Duggan, leading 58-24, missed the second last red, the table was at Mountjoy's mercy, but he cannoned in the final pink after missing the blue,

The absence of White who also missed last season's British Open with influenza, was announced only two hours before the start of his scheduled match with first-season professional.

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King's extra incentive to do well this season is that if he reaches the top 32 he will not have to play qualifying matches

RESULTS: Third round: (England crisess stated) S Duggan bt D Mountoy (Weles), 5-4: P Francisca (SA) bt M Macleod (Scot), 5-2: A Mao bt T Murphy (N Ins), 5-2: S Newbury (Weles) bt P Watchorn 5-2: J Virgo bt J Wright 5-2: J McLaughtin (N Ins), bt D Roe 5-2: W King (Aus) bt T Griffiths (Wales), 5-1; S Hendry (Scot) bt A Jones 5-3; I Brumby we. J White scr. D Reynolds w/o. J Wych (Can), scr.

MOTOR RALLYING

Vatanen loses his grip to Swedish team-mate

Dirkou, Niger, (AFP) - Bjorn Waldegaard, the former world rally champion from Sweden, broke his Peugeot team-mate Ari Vatanen's stanglehold on the Paris-to-Dakar Rally with his first stage victory in the desert race here yesterday. But another serious accident,

in an event which has claimed

29 lives since it was first held in 1979, marred the day. The experienced Honda rider, Pierre-Marie Poli, a Frenchman competing in the rally for the seventh time, was flown back to hospital in Marseilles in a coma after fracturing his skull when crashing at high speed. Ermano Bonacini, of Italy, also frectured his skull when he was thrown from his Honda on Monday. As the rally crossed from Libya into Niger, competitors had to battle against a Tenere

desert sandstorm over the last 170 kilometres of the 504km stage from Tumu. Vatanen, the Fina who was overall winner last year and had won the first four stages this time, was second, nearly two minutes behind Waldegaard. "You couldn't see anything

out there". Vatanen, who re-tained his overall lead, said.

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The story of skiing People have been using skis for 4,500 years, but only in the last

50 or so has alpine skiing made an impact as a sport. It is now one of the leading spectator and participant sports in the world. On Saturday, Ranulf Rayner, in an extract from his book, The Story of Skiing, takes an in-depth look at the sport, from its beginnings to the escapades of James Bond.

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Mass Pakistani threat to leading British pair

By Colin McQuillan

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Simon Parke's defence of his cently dismissed coach of the National Westminster British world champion, Jansher Khan, Under-19 championship began Still at school in England, well enough yesterday at Lambs Club in London, when he beat Steve Richardson, of Ireland, and Patrick Lee, of Sussex, in the opening rounds for the loss of just eight points. But the inevitable shift of generations presents a demanding task through the rest of the week. Theoretically, Parke, already England's youngest senior inter-national at 17, should play Friday's final against Peter Mar-shall, the double-handed player who is just one year older. But to reach that point both must deal authoritatively with a coallenging spread of inter-national talent.

The equivalent women's junior title, sponsored by Abbey National at Junction 24 in Regworth, Derbyshire, is sched-uled as another victory for Cassic Jackman, the European Junior and British Under-23 champion. She began yesterday in similar style with a 9-1, 9-1, 9-0 win over Sarah Newman of Easex, although the second seed, Rebecca Macree, may prove DECO-operative.

Parke's problems could begin Whiler against either Stephen Lankester, of Suffolk, or Wasim Mohammed, of Middle both hands firmly on the titler to displace the possible successive akistani opposition of Samir shan Khan, Amanat Khan and Shair Jahan Khan. Wasim Mohammed is the son of Mohammed Wasin, the re-

By a Special Correspondent

Kenny Middlemiss, of Edin-burgh, a quarter-finalist at the

eral Dutch and Swedish players

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This is the last tournament for the squad before they leave for New Zealand later this month.

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tonight's reserve team match against Barnsley at the Haw-thorns. He was making his final decision this morning.

However, it is unlikely that he will be in contention for Saturday's FA Cup third-round game against Wimbledon.

Talbot comeback Brian Talbot, the player-manager of West Bromwich Albion. is due to make his comeback after a cartilage operation, in

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Chelsea risk Cup expulsion after BBC camera ban

Chelsea yesterday ran the risk of expulsion from the FA Cup when they banned BBC cam-eras from Stamford Bridge for their third-round tie against Crewe Alexandra on Saturday.

Chelsea's action is, apparently, in line with the club's position in refusing to admit cameras for the ITV goals of the week package in a dispute over copyright. However, it may bring Chelsea into conflict with a Football Association policy designed to discourage clubs planning to bar the BBC for financial

A ban on the BBC's cameras was one tactic being discussed by the big clubs if they received no satisfaction from the FA in their attempt to increase fees for the live coverage of cup-ties, but yesterday Graham Kelly, the FA's chief executive, warned that any such action could result in expulsion.

"If they enter the com-petition they are bound by contract to let the cameras in. Kelly said before hearing of Chelsea's action. "And if they started trying to keep the cameras out, we would say "There's a bye into the next round for your opponents'." This danger, however, was discounted by Chelsea. "We

over World **Cup shirts**

Football officials voiced concern yesterday after com-plaints that Chelsea had sold provocative" World Cup Tshirts at their club shop. The shirts, prominently displayed, showed marauding supporters storming off a boat and proclaimed: "England and Chelsea Invasion of Italy 1990."

Janet Wayth, the Chelsea club secretary, said: "I had no idea that these T-shirts were on sale, but I'm very concerned about it. This is not the sort of image we want to give." The Football Association

also reacted. David Barber, a spokesman, said: "Regrettably, this sort of garment seems to appear before every major championship. We would ask fans to think care-

The Italians are planning a tough crackdown on English hooligans in Sardinia in June. They are organizing a 72-hour ban on the sale of alcohol before every match involving England, and the FA is screening supporters who buy tickets from official outlets.

affecting us, so we don't see why we should let them in," Janet Wayth, the club secretary, said last night when announcing the ban.

The BBC were bemused by Wayth's statement, A spokesman said: "We made a preliminary approach to Chelsea to put in one camera, just erow sw bas qu-bauor told that the person who

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makes the decision was ill, so could we ask again in a couple of days. We've heard nothing

The FA may decide to treat Chelsea's case differently from a bid for more money, which will receive no encourage-ment. "I think we are making a fair payment," Kelly said

The clubs are unhappy that the payment for a live cup-tie on BBC is £120,000 split equally between the two clubs, as compared with £195,000 for a League match on ITV.

"Our TV contract is very different from the League's, obligations to the big clubs

around a bit more. We have agreed to make a payment to all the clubs involved in the Cup from round one onwards who don't get live coverage on television, so 87 clubs will be receiving £5,000 for ground improvements. And clubs like Bolton, Blackpool, Orient, or Whitley Bay are getting £7,500 facility fees for recorded highlights programmes.

"In fact we increased fees by 200 per cent, from £20,000 to £60,000 to each club last year, because that was the amount the contract was increased. But it is an unfortunate time for this issue to surface. Footditure in the near future when the Taylor Report is published, with expenditure in setting up the National Membership Scheme possibly being around £2.5 million. and we have made the point very clearly to the Football League that it would be foolish of us to overstretch ourselves by making over-payments to clubs in live matches.

We see ourselves as having obligations to the game in general, and don't have the which places a big emphasis which the League felt they had on live matches," he said when they signed the agree"We try and filter money ment with ITV."

Complaints Praise for Bologna after emergency

Bologna (AFP) - Bologna's at his bedside ever since, but stadium has been dubbed the she was the first to praise the safest of the grounds for the World Cup in Italy this year after the lifesaving operation that ensured the AS Roma defender, Lionello Manfredonia, was in hospital in five minutes after he suffered stroke on the field.

Manfredonia was well on the way to recovery yesterday, three days after collapsing five minutes into the first divison game between Bologna and AS Roma.

The incident turned into a real life rehearsal for any disaster that might strike during the World Cup finals in June. Bologna and Milan will put on the group D matches for the competition.

But the ground and emerwith flying colours.

heading for an intensive care unit within five minutes of being rendered unconscious and we will take another look following the stroke.

operation in a message of thanks on national television. "I will be eternally grateful to the people of Bologna and the hospital team who saved Lionello's life through their

great and speedy efficiency at all levels," she said. "In any other Italian city, I am certain that he would have

Manfredonia is still in intensive care, but doctors said that he was now fully conscious and talking to his wife and the doctors.

"We remain on the alert, but I think his condition is changing in the right direction," Professor Brachetti, the chief doctor at Bologna hos-

after coming through the test of Manfredonia, still considered one of the best defenders Manfredonia, aged 33, was in the Italian League, was now at a Bologna hospital and probably finished.

"He will must not kick a ball for at least three months after that," Professor His wife Carolina has been Brachetti said.



Steinlager takes the lead

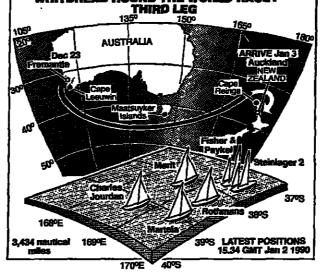
From Barry Pickthall

Charles Jourdan, the 72-foot French yacht in the Whitbread Round the World Race, was badly damaged yesterday after colliding with a whale midway across the Tasman Sea during the third stage of this race, from Fremantle to Auckland. Alain Gabbay, the skipper,

reported to race control that the incident happened shortly after midnight GMT on Monday, and his ultra light design now has a large hole in her starboard side measuring 3.5 metres by 0.6 metres. None of the crew were injured in the incident but the yacht can only be sailed on starboard tack. Later, during a radio link with his shore crew station in Auckland, Gabbay said he was heading for New Plymouth, on the west coast of New Zealand's North Island to patch up the hull, before continuing in the race.

This is the second time the French yacht has struck a whale, and the fourth such incident during this race.

As that drama was unfolding, the tactical battle being continued to have the measure of her New Zealand rival Fisher & Paykel, but there was little to divide them.



South African may

represent France

By John Goodbody and David Hands

A South African may be they want so why should not

bolidays.

Further east. Rothmans. Britain's leading challenger is cutting a solitary course in the hope of experiencing more favourable winds today, but faces a threat from Pierre Fehlmann's Swiss challenger, Merit,

the leaders Britain's Tracy Edwards has an equal struggle waged by the leading four on her hands subduing Patrick yachts continued. Steinlager 2, Tabarly's French yacht Peter Blake's 84ft ketch, L'Esprit de Liberté for honours in the smaller Division 3 fleet. Yesterday, her 58ft yacht, Maiden, held a tenuous four-mile lead, but in a radio

representing France in this

season's Five Nations Inter-national Rugby Union Tour-

nament, a possibility which has already brought inter-

Eric Melville, who has been

playing since 1983 for Toulon.

but who has a South African

passport, took part in the final

French training camp last

Under international regula-

tions there is no requirement on nationality for an individual

representing a national team. Enrique Rodriguez has played

for Argentina and Australia

and Jamie Salmon has repre-

sented both New Zealand and

Albert Ferrasse, the Presi-

national protests.

call yesterday, admitted, this could well be reversed if the wind dies.

"The L'Esprit boys are racing with a vengeance at the moment. We need a lot of wind to get the boat moving because our wide transom acts she reported. "This is the closest race we have had so far with our rivals."

One point that the leading skippers all agreed on was to differ on the official distances each has to cover to the finish Peter Blake, Grant Dalton (Fisher & Paykel) and Lawrie

Melville has already app-

lied for French nationality but

this has not been granted yet.

He has frequently visited the

Republic for his summer

Melville, 6ft 5in and who

plays at No. 8 for his club

team, says that he feels "100

per cent French". He was

amazed but pleased at his selection for the national

squad from which the XV to

play France in Cardiff on January 20 will be chosen.

Melville playing in the com-petition provoked opposition

from anti-apartheid groups.

Sam Ramsamy, the executive chairman of the South African Non-Racial Olympic Committee (SANROC) said: "This

is quite deplorable."

However, the possibility of

had 500 miles to reach Cape Rienga, New Zealand's northern point, before turning south-east for the 200-mile run down the eastern coast to

This contradicts the 450mile total stated in the results, suggesting that the Royal Naval Sailing Association organisers have failed to include the loop round the north

Similar navigation errors have been detected on each of the three legs to date, and this latest mistake now places a serious question mark on the validity of the fastet daily runs and average speeds recorded

LEADBIG POSITIONS (compiled at 15:34
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and subject to a 230-crits plus error);
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(N) 618; 13, Bellmort Finland, H Hardino Novek (USSIF) 606; 12, Getorade, G Falck (tt) 618; 13, Betmant Filland, H Hardmo (Fin) 660; 14, NCB Ireland, J Hanglah (tri) 671; 15, Lharpool Enterprise, B Seimon (36) 924, Officio 21, Equity & Law, D Neuta (Noth) 1,005, DRVSSON 2: 1, Maiden, T Edwards (65) 1,072; 2, L'Esprit de Liberth, P Taberly (Fr) 1,076; 3, Schlussel von Brennen, J Orgelmann (W Germany) 1,083; 4, Rucanor Sport, B Dubois (Sel) 1,085; 5, La Poets, D Maide (Fr) 1,367, CRUISSER DRVSSON: 1, With Integrity, A Coghel (65) 1,084; 2, Creightons Naturally, J Chittenden (GB) 1,100.

By David Powell

Sebastian Coe is planning to run his first race since his valedictory appearance on a British track at Crystal Palace nearly four months ago in a low-key 1.000 metres in Hobart tomorrow. Coe, twice the Olympic 1,500 metres champion and the world record holder for 800 metres, bids an international farewell at the Commonwealth Games, which start in Auckland three

championship double. The last time he ran both 800 and 1,500 metres, in the 1986 European championships, he failed narrowly, finishing second in the longer event to Steve Cram.

couldn't give him the normal type of recovery period." Coe enior said. "It has been a little tricky not to go over the top and just maintain enough form. There has been a little more emphasis on endurance during the winter, but nothing over-strenuous until there was some sun on his back."

position as prospective Conservative Party parhis return from Auckland, and his father added: "His escalating public and business affairs did not allow a comfortable wind-down

Coe to test himself

weeks today.

Coe, aged 33, hopes to bow out with his first international

proach as we used then has been adopted," Peter Coe, his father and coach, said yesterday, while confirming the athlete's plans to race tomorrow. Coe senior said that training for the Common-wealth Games in the English winter had made preparation awkward, but added that his son had enjoyed nearly a month's good training since arriving in Australia.

Coe will concentrate on his liamentary candidate for Falmouth and Camborne upon

supreme without drugs By John Goodbody

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END COLUMN

Johnson

mentary being shown on BBC1 tonight², claims that Ben Johnson might have won the Olympic 100 metres title even without the aid of hormore drugs. The thesis of the

gramme is that empirical, nstantial or scientific evidence "tends to deny the value hancing aid." A number of leading competitors have therefore been wasting their money and possibly raining their health in vain by ties of harmone drugs in the hope of running faster, throwing further or lifting heavier

The programme interviews two scientists, both of whom have carried out tests on controlled groups taking hor-mone drugs under the double blind method by which neither and who is taking the placebo.

Dr Douglas Crist, of the New Mexico University, concludes that "human performance and body composition were not statistically altered", aithough he added: "The athletes' perception was such that this treatment made them stronger, more powerful."

No improvement in performance

In a similar piece of research, Dr Francesco Conconi, of Ferrara University, gave a number of good-class athletes 10 milligrammes daily of Stanozolol, the drug found in Johnson's urine at the Seoul Olympics, and then tested them for sprinting ability. He concluded that there was no improvement in performance.

The programme also interviews David Jenkins, who was in a \$100 million drugs ring in the United States, and Al Oerter, four times Olympic discus champion, who said that he took hormone drugs for two months during a con in 1977.

Both found that the drug which are supposed to help competitors add muscle weight and to recover more quickly from intensive exercise, were harmful to their perform

The implication is that improvement comes from the psychological rather than the physical effect of taking hormone drugs. This thesis goes against not only the personal experience of thousands of competitors but against other research findings conducted under similar conditions.

Hormone drugs seem to work only if the competitors are outstanding in their sport and are highly motivated, are training extremely hard and are enjoying a high-protein diet. They have been found to have little impact on the strength of ordinary people.

Although the psychological effects of steroids cannot be discounted — psychology is an underplayed factor in snuck of sport — there are other good reasons for questioning the findings of the documentary.

Stacking' system ignored by tests

Most of the people taking

part in the survey were not international competitors and also were not given high dosages of the hormone drugs. Johnson, like many competitors, used a "stacking" system, taking a variety of drags over seven years as he grad-ually increased his power and speed. None of the scientific tests carried out this practice, or over such a long period of time, and did not examine the effect of some of the drugs employed by the Canadian sprinter.

The programme quotes Howard Payne, the former international hammer turer, as saying that in men's athletics the average level of top-class performances in most events has not increased more sharply than could have been expected before hormone drugs became widespread in the 1960s. However, the curb international athletics he agrees has been steeper.

This may be because the ics were closer to the maximum attainable in the 1960s and the arrival of hormone drugs was a big factor in continuing the gradual improvement, which only now is flattening out. Women's athletics has not been so highly developed and there-fore inevitably the improvement curve is sharper.

*QED documentary on BBC1

I horburn ponders his future at the approach and was uncertain what path he should in the wings." The Welsh Rugby Union's

Confusion last night surrounded the future of Paul Thorburn, the Weish rugby union international full back. Thorburn said yesterday that he was considering an offer to turn professional with Wigan, England's most glamorous rugby league club. Wigan, however, denied making any

The former Wales captain said he had been offered a three-year contract worth £150,000. He said he had been completely taken by surprise

Wigan, however, denied

Jack Robinson, the vice chairman, said: "We have already got Steve Hampson, the Great Britain full back, Joe Lydon, another international who can also play at full back,

they were about to sign the Neath captain. The Wigan coach, John Monie said: "We are quite happy with our squad. Any suggestion that we have made an offer for this particular player is well wide of the mark."

chief coach, John Ryan, is likely to be astonished at the news, especially its timing. Wales leave today for a training squad session in Portugal in preparation for the five nations' championship sea-

> formight on Saturday against France at Cardiff. possibility of losing Thorburn, who has been capped 25 times. Thorburn is Wales's leading points scorer, having passed the 200 mark in the inter-

national against New Zealand last November. Thorburn said: "All this has dilemma for me, because Wigan's offer. They are riding with training facilities for high at the moment and so it is sportsmen works superbly. a compliment to be asked to oin them. But I have many

join them. But I have many terrific challenge to go to things to consider and I do not Wigan yet I still feel I have a know what to think about it." lot to prove in rugby union."

Boycott given a further three years

Geoff Boycott, the former Yorkshire and England open-ing batsman, has been given mother three-year term as Wakefield's representative on the county's cricket committee.

Boycott, who was first elected in 1984, is one of seven committee men to be returned unopposed. Also among them is Bob Appleyard, another former player with the club and one of Boycott's sternest critics on the committee. The only contested seat is in Sheffield, where David Tun-

bridge is opposed by Terry Jarvis, who sat on the committee for one year. Essex have signed Steve Andrew, the right-arm fast medium bowler, from Hampshire on a two-year contract. Andrew, aged 23, refused a new contract, having lost his place after injury to Paul-Jan

proach so impudent is that Thorburn has only recently joined the Exell Management Company, run by Ray Griffiths. Exell have recruited several leading Welsh rugby union

players to their computer company business, partly in son, which begins for them a order to prevent the further loss of leading players to rugby league. Should Thorburn de-Rvan will be alarmed at the cide to make the switch just weeks after agreeing a two-year contract with Exell, it could be that Griffiths's company will seek financial compensation from Wigan for the broken contract.

Thorburn said: "It is a happened in such a short time have been so impressed with that I feel a bit bewildered. I what Ray Griffiths is doing at have been in cloud cuckoo Exell. The idea of mixing work and ever since I heard of in their computer business

He added: "It would be a dent of the French Rugby Federation, said: The choice mine. The British do what

Benn's new opponent

Nigel Benn, who is hoping to challenge Roberto Duran for his world middleweight title, has a change of opponent in Atlantic City on January 14. Michael Olajide has pulled out with a cut hand, so Benn now faces Sanderline Williams, from Cleveland.

Williams has gone the distance with Iran Barkley and Frank Tate, and has never been knocked out.

Postponed Delhi (Reuter) - The Indira Gandhi Gold Cup inter-national men's hockey tournament, scheduled to start on Saturday, has been postponed to March because the leading countries fear it would have disturbed training schedules for the World Cup in Labore rewarded with a new three next month.

SPORT IN BRIEF



New contract Oldham Rugby League club forward, Keith Atkinson, has

won his fight for fitness after

two operations and has been

year contract.

Precaution Adrian Shelford, the rugby league forward, was given a precautionary x-ray on his jaw after Wigan's victory over Warrington on Monday which stretched Wigan's unbeaten run to 11 matches. **Dubai hosts** Paris (AFP) - Dubai, in the United Arab Emirates, is to host the World Boxing Associ-

have named one of their leading players, Jerry Jenkins, aged 35, as assistant coach.

Decision soon

Mark Walsham, winner of the Professional Cycling Associ-ation's season-long points title for the past three years, will decide this week which team he is to ride for in 1990.

ation light welterweight title

Juan Martin Coggi, of Argen-

tina, and Jose-Luis Ramirez, of Mexico, on February 8.

in Hobart

Athletics Correspondent

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